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## NEWS

Santa Claus is coming back to Granite City, and his new home is looking sharp.

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## SOUND OFF!

Christmas shoppers discuss their habits in a special Press-Record edition of Voice Box.

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# Mission reopens Jesus' Place back in business in time for a happy Thanksgiving

By Scott Kelly  
Staff writer

A month after city officials closed the Jesus' Place Mission, the Granite City soup kitchen will be serving needy people on Thanksgiving.

The Rev. Larry Gibson, pastor for the mission, said it was great to be back in.

"We passed the inspections with flying colors," he said.

Granite City Fire Chief Keith Talley, who reluctantly closed the mission at 1900 State St. for safety reasons last month, said the mission reopened Monday after it had passed the mandatory building and fire safety codes.

"One of the mandates was to seal the outside so no more pigeons could get in," Talley said.

Other items the mission complied with included:

*"It's nice to have it behind us."*

Rev. Larry Gibson  
mission pastor

- Installing hard-wired smoke detectors in such places as the above the door in the kitchen.

- Servicing and tagging fire extinguishers.

- Installing lighted exit signs.

- Installing emergency lighting.

- Sealing the outside and roof.

Mission leaders must continue to work on other code violations, including making the restroom wheelchair accessible. Gibson said the mission needs only to contract with a plumber to install the new

up-to-code toilet.

In all, the mission spent approximately \$3,000 to bring the building up to code.

Glen Hollis, building and zoning administrator, along with Assistant Fire Chief Jim Brawley and Talley, reinspected the mission Monday morning. They determined the mission could only occupy the first floor, but had to clean the basement and second and third floors.

Remodeling plans must also be submitted to the planning and zoning office.

In a letter Talley sent to the mission, he commended Gibson and Mike Watkins of Jesus' Place with the expedient manner they brought the building up to code.

Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Thursday at the mission.

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## Big efforts brought big business to area

Editor's note: This is the second in a series examining how a major business comes to the city.

By Scott Kelly  
Staff writer

Costs and land were two large obstacles in bringing the new Midwest Metal Coating to Granite City.

R.C. Bush, executive vice president of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce; Dan Brown, director of economic development for Granite City; and Joe Darling, project manager for Midwest Metal Coating, all explained at Nov. 19 Rotary Action Prayer Breakfast the intricate steps involved in bringing in a new, major business.

While helping to bring the new, major industry to Granite City, area leaders came to realize the city itself had to be the developer.

Brown explained the complexities involved at that point. Precoat was intending to buy 20 acres from the railroad about a year ago, he said. However, Norfolk Southern decided they didn't want to sell only 20 acres because Precoat was not as large a rail user as they had hoped.

After that meeting, Brown, Bush and other area leaders looked for another site, including the Tri-Cities Port District and again at Northgate Industrial Park. Bush said the latter was very expensive.

Next, Granite City created a tax increment financing district along Highway 3, which, Brown said, would be a partial funding source.

The big problem, Brown said, was "the railroad was asking \$19,000 an acre for 20 acres for Precoat." Norfolk Southern then decided they'd be willing to sell the whole development.

No one had the money to pay for the land. Ralph Korte and Skip Butler submitted bids; Butler put in one for \$8,000 an acre on the land. The city estimated that if the land were purchased, the cost for development would be between \$1.3 million to \$1.4 million, which made it unfeasible for Korte to develop the land.

The city's comptroller then suggested to Brown that the city

*"As we kept going through the negotiations, Midwest kept increasing the size of its plant, which is increasing the city's revenue."*

Dan Brown

## Presswood remains via court order

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

Pontoon Beach Trustee Randy Presswood has obtained a federal court order barring the village from removing him from office.

His removal had been expected to be voted on by the board Tuesday, but the issue was not formally discussed. However, Presswood engaged in several arguments with Mayor Glen Wilson and Trustee Bob Abel over the matter.

The order was issued Tuesday at the U.S. District Court in East St. Louis. A Dec. 4 hearing date was also set on the order.

Village Trustee Lou Whitesell, who had made the motion to remove Presswood at the last Village Board meeting, said after the meeting that the order was issued after a Madison County court threw out Presswood's case.

The federal order said the village could not remove or replace Presswood, or keep him from voting or acting on the board.

The hearing is set for 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec.

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Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Granite City High School Alpha Peer honoree Sara Fielding speaks at the Granite City Optimist Club's annual Youth Appreciation Dinner. For more photos of the event, see People on Page 5A.

## Best of the best

Optimists honor Alpha Peers, Student Council

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

If the students honored at last week's annual Granite City Optimist Club Youth Appreciation Dinner are any indication, "the future of Granite City looks very bright."

The annual dinner honors members of the Granite City High School Alpha Peers and Student Council.

In the Adolescents Learning Positive Health Alternatives program, upper classmen go into freshman classes once a week to teach drug prevention.

Co-sponsor Mike Johnson said the students are carefully screened, and must be nominated or recommended by a teacher.

"It isn't something you just volunteer to join," he said. "We looked at

them very carefully, and what we ended up with is what you see this evening. Fifty of the most outstanding kids our high school has to offer. You're the best of the best."

Alpha Peer Leaders honored were:

Jason Acord, Hillary Aerts, Jeff Ahlers, John Ahlers, Stephanie Ambuehl, Colin Anderson, Stacy Baker, Breann Chastain, David Darling, Laura Davis, Elizabeth Dittman, Tim Dittman, Daniel Dothage, Nancy Effington, Kristen Ely, Melanie England, Tara Falter, Sara Fielding, Leah Gambin, Kim Greer, Peggy Hammond, Janelle Hanks, Valerie Hanks, Joe Herman, Candice Johnson, Marc Johnson, Bill Kee, Jori Keener, James Knox, Hil-

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## GCC forges holiday tradition

Food classes serve up tasty holiday meals

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

Two days before Thanksgiving, students in Ollie Sommer's food preparation class are busy making pies.

Lots of pies.

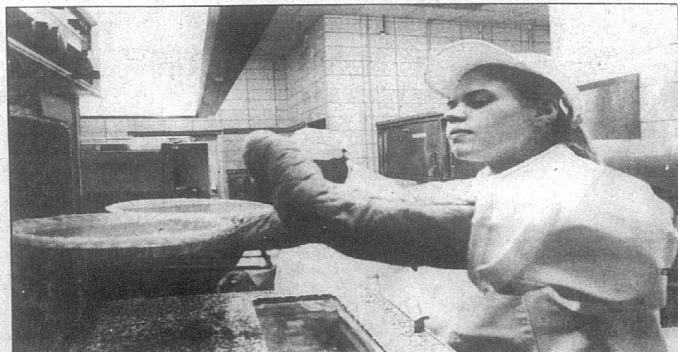
Students in Belleville Area College's hospitality program were preparing more than 300 pies — pumpkin, pecan, apple, and cranberry-apple — that had been sold to faculty and staff members.

"This is kind of a tradition at Belleville Area College," he said. "We normally sell about 300 to 350 pies."

Proceeds from the sale help finance trips to cooking competitions.

"It also teaches them production methods in producing large quantities of food," Sommer said. "If they are

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Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Jennifer Dillow, of Belleville, a student in the Food Preparation 1 class at Belleville Area College in Granite City, turns a pair of pumpkin pies to keep the filling level after pouring it into the crusts. Dillow and the other GCC students study under one of the world's great chefs, Ollie Sommer.

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### 5 YEAR'S FORECAST

John Fuller, Editor

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NEWS

# NEWS IN REVIEW

**Editor's note:** News in Review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is intended for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Journals.

## Public hearing held on bridge siting

Because of increased development, the Illinois Department of Transportation is running out of places to place the approaches to the proposed new bridge across the Mississippi River. IDOT plans to file a "corridor protection plan" in St. Clair County courts. With the plan in place, owners could not sell or make major developments to the land needed as right of way for the bridge without notifying IDOT, which would then have the opportunity to purchase the land.

About 50 people attended a public hearing on the corridor protection plan recently evening at the Cahokia Mounds Interpretive Center.

The proposed eight-lane bridge would cross the river just south of the McKinley Bridge, and would tie in to a relocated Highway 3 near what is now National City, Highway 203 near Gateway International Raceway in Madison, and Interstates 64 and 55/70.

The total cost for the bridge and approaches on both sides of the river is more than \$500 million dollars.

## RideFinders recognizes area residents

A Maryville woman who drives to East St. Louis, takes MetroLink to Forest Park and then bicycles to Grève Coeur was one of those recognized for their contribution to help clean up the region's air.

Deb Wess, an employee of Computer Sales International in Grève Coeur, Mo., was the winner of the Award for Commuting by Bicycle given by RideFinders at its annual Clean Air Recognition Awards Luncheon Friday.

Twenty-four awards were given to individuals, companies and the media.

## Community leader dies

Carl Edward Mathias, 73, of Granite City died Nov. 19. Mr. Mathias was an active promoter of the Metropolitan St. Louis area and worked with numerous organizations in assisting the economic development of the entire St. Louis region. He served on the board and executive committee of the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association.

He was instrumental in creating and served as President of the Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois, a group formed to plan and coordinate economic developments in the Illinois portion of the metropolitan area. He was former commissioner and chairman of the board of the Bi-State Development Agency. His service with Bi-State included planning for the area's Metro-Link light-rail system, and MidAmerica Airport.

Mathias also served the St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City as a member of the long-planning committee and as a member of the Board of Directors of Providence Occupational Health Services. He was former Chairman of the Board of WINGS, the organization responsible for hospital fund raising.

From 1992, he acted as Granite City service area Manager for Illinois Power and in 1985, was promoted to Assistant Vice President.

## Man charged with sex abuse

A man from Wood River has been charged with sexually assaulting and sexually abusing a 14-year-old girl in June.

An indictment handed up Thursday by a Circuit Court grand jury charges Stephen R. Brown, 34, of the 500 block of Colonial Drive, with criminal sexual assault and aggravated criminal sexual abuse.

The indictment alleges sexual penetration and fondling.

Madison County Assistant State's Attorney Kyle Napp said the girl reported the offenses to her mother about two weeks after they were committed.

Napp said according to the girl, the incidents occurred at Brown's home at the Melvin Price Support Center in Granite City. Brown is in an Army review on active duty.

The case was investigated jointly by Army investigators, Granite City police and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

## Thanksgiving service offered

The members of First Church of Christ, Scientist at 2560 Delmar in Granite City invite the public to join them at 10 a.m. Thursday to observe Thanksgiving with hymns, prayer and expressions of gratitude to God.

The service will be conducted by lay members who will read a lesson-sermon from the Bible and from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, the discoverer and founder of Christian Science.

Following the lesson-sermon, there will be time for testimonies of healing and gratitude appropriate for the occasion. The service will last approximately one hour.

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## Window trimming

Judi Kass straightens out the hat on a Santa Claus figure while decorating the display windows at Jack & Jill's furniture store in Granite City. The store is one of the holiday attractions in the downtown area.

# Saint Nick comes home this week

By Scott Kelly Staff writer

Santa Claus is coming to town Friday. The jolly man himself is riding in the day after Thanksgiving to set up his workshop at Triangle Park, Neidringhaus Avenue and 20th Street.

The parade will precede down Madison Avenue to the park, where Santa will turn on the Christmas lights for Santa's Holiday Avenue.

Other events are scheduled for Friday, including carolers, carriage rides and photographs with Santa Claus. The Granite City Community Band will play from 7 to 8 p.m. Friday. On Saturday, the Seven Sisters from St. Louis will carol at the Santa House on and off all day long.

The Granite City High School Swing

Choir will entertain in December, as well as a group from Coolidge Middle School from 7 to 8 p.m. Dec. 18. Gail Miller's group will entertain from 6 to 7 p.m. the same day.

Santa's Holiday Avenue is new this year. A committee made up of community leaders, city officials, business owners and interested parties have been busy for months readying the downtown area, especially the park, for the Christmas season.

The group secured money from the downtown tax increment financing district to use as seed money to buy decorations, lights and fix up the Santa House. Numerous merchants and other residents donated to Santa's Holiday Avenue.

Some of the decorations include figures made from lights and giant-size children's building blocks.

"We have a lot of good people (on the committee) — doers, not talkers," said

the group's chairman, Judy Whitaker, Granite City city clerk.

"The committee worked well together. All worked extra hard," she said.

The Santa's Holiday Avenue committee and their specialties include:

Whitaker; co-chairman Roberta Barham; Maggie Mayhall, treasurer; Sandy Shaw, secretary; Brian Fuzessery, flags; Brad Eavenson and Tom Candler, lighting; Dave McFarland, rehabilitation; Shirley Valencia, publicity; Mark Korte, Linda Wood and Sharon Parker, advertising; George Popmarkoff, electrical work; Mike Gerboe, Ed Kirby, Judy Knapp and Alan Pieper, displays; Diana Naney, decorating; and Carol Holten, costume designs.

Many people and groups have already agreed to be in next year's parade, Whitaker said.

# Madison County museum features holiday activities

Madison County Historical Society's December holiday exhibit, Recalling Christmas Past, begins with an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. on Dec. 7.

Museum volunteers have planned the exhibit to include Christmas decorations from both the pioneer and Victorian eras — toys, dolls, trees, greenery, bows, candles, strings of popcorn and cran-

berries, gingerbread cookies and homemade and antique ornaments from long ago.

The exhibit, which continues through December, will begin with the open house with Christmas music by harpist Nancy Small and by the Harmony Youth Choir from First Presbyterian Church of Edwardsville. Refreshments will be served.

Exhibits planned for 1998

include Old-Fashioned Valentines in February, the Lewis and Clark Expedition for March through May, A Look Back at the World Wars for June through August, Quilts and Coverlets for October and November; and Recalling Christmas Past for December.

The museum is located at 715 N. Main St. in Edwardsville. Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays, 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays and closed on holidays. Call 656-7562 for more information or group tours.

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## Republicans honor West for his service

By Mark Hodapp  
Staff writer

A few years ago, President George Bush received a surprise response when he placed a late-evening telephone call to a Belleville resident: Dr. Wilson West hung up on him.

"Do you know what time it is?" West asked his long-time friend.

West was recognized Thursday at the St. Clair County Hard Body Gym.

Republican Party Second Annual Reagan Day Dinner at Fisher's Restaurant in Belleville.

In addition to serving 60 years in the medical profession, West has been a major supporter of the Republican Party.

While West officially retired July 1 from his medical practice, he continues to remain active in politics.

"I am going to do all I can for the Republican Party,"

West said.

West has known several presidents personally, including Gerald Ford, Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan.

"These people not only knew Dr. West, but they respected him," said Dr. Bill Price, who recently announced his candidacy for Congress in 1998.

Nixon even offered him a position in his cabinet.

"But Dr. West declined because he wanted to be by his family," Price said.

## Madison police arrest two on felony warrants

Two men with felony warrants were arrested over the weekend by Madison police in separate incidents of building another in the village — and moved into his business, the Hard Body Gym.

On Saturday, Caleb Smith, 18, of the 1000 block of Market, was arrested after a police officer saw him riding in a truck at the intersection of Market and Ewing.

Smith was wanted by Madison County for failure to appear on charges of unlawful delivery of a controlled substance, and failure to appear on traffic charges from St. Clair County.

After the vehicle was stopped, Smith allegedly attempted to flee on foot, but

was apprehended.

Otis Armstrong, 18, of the 1500 block of Second Street, was arrested at 12:35 p.m. Sunday after being spotted standing at the intersection of 12th Street and Madison Avenue.

He was wanted on a charge of home invasion.

## Board

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4 in East St. Louis.

The issue came up after Presswood said his home he is in the process of building another in the village — and moved into his business, the Hard Body Gym.

Presswood's opponents have said he cannot live in the business, but in court papers filed in Edwardsville, Presswood claims he is fulfilling the function of a night watchman, which is allowed.



Staff photo by SCOTT COUSINS

In a letter to Presswood, Rybak said "the position that you once held as board member is now considered to be an official vacant."

The letter stated that Presswood was no longer a "valid, legitimate, legal resident" of the village, according to state law and village ordinances.

Rybak said the law requires an office-holder to be qualified to vote in the village.

Village trustees Lou Whitsell, left, and Randy Presswood at a recent board meeting.

"Since you have abandoned your residence within the district, you have effectively created a vacancy in the office and have forfeited any authority, right or power to act in any official capacity as a board member for the village of Ponton Beach," the letter said.

At the last meeting, Whitsell made the motion, seconded by Trustee Bob Vincent, to remove Presswood. That was halted after Trustee Irene Karlechik motioned to table the matter and Trustee Gus Falter seconded her motion.

Whitsell then motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Bob Abel seconded that motion.

The Board voted 3-3 to adjourn, with Whitsell, Abel and Vincent voting in favor, while Karlechik, Falter and Presswood voted against.

Mayor Glen Wilson broke the tie in favor of adjournment.

At Tuesday's meeting, Presswood asked who had hired Rybak.

Wilson told him that it had been done by Village Attorney Keith Jensen — who's letter of resignation was approved later that meeting.

Presswood then asked who had authorized Jensen to act in the matter.

That question was never fully answered at the meeting, although Wilson had said in the past that although he supported it, he did not authorize the action.

## Plans taking shape

Editor's note: Due to a production error, the jump for this story was omitted from the Nov. 20 Press-Record. The story in its entirety follows.

By Scott Kelly  
Staff writer

Two weeks later than planned, the Granite City Council unanimously approved the acquisition of 122 acres from Norfolk Southern Railroad and a related land sale to a new light industry.

A major portion of the land between Highway 3 and Missouri Avenue and north of Tower Automotive will be used to create Granite City Industrial Park.

"Sixty-three acres will be used to develop a light-industry park that will be rail-served," said Mayor Ron Selph. The rest of the land will be used as drainage for the park, and, possibly, future wetlands mitigation.

Norfolk Southern must approve the acquisition, which city officials expect by the end of the year.

The Norfolk Southern deal involves:

- The city purchasing 68.5 acres at a cost of \$6,000 an acre from Norfolk Southern.
- A land gift to the city from the railroad for the balance of the land, approximately 53.5 acres.

Dan Brown, the city's economic development director, said the city will finance the purchase from general revenue funds. The city will recoup the costs from the newly created Illinois 3 Tax Increment Financing District.

The city council also approved the sale of 18 acres to Midwest Metal Coatings LLC to build a plant on Illinois 3.

As part of the sale, Midwest will build a \$12 million, 92,000 square-foot steel treating facility that will provide numerous construction jobs and at least 60 high-paying manufacturing jobs to the city, Selph said.

The deals are connected, because Midwest will need to be served by rail between its plant and Granite City Steel, and to other parts of the country.

"This is the initial step in the development of light industry along our Highway 3 corridor," Selph said.

Both the sale and the deal with Norfolk Southern were to be approved at the Nov. 4 Council meeting, but too few aldermen were present to pass the ordinances.



Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

This picture shows the land inside the 180-degree railroad loop between Missouri Avenue, Pontoon Road and Highway 3. Tower Automotive, in the background, will soon have a new neighbor, Midwest Metal Coating.

## Land

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had a surplus of \$2.5 million, and why not borrow the money to purchase the land and pay it back with the TIF?

"That opened a whole new world of possibilities," Brown said. Next the city had to find the money to build the infrastructure. Fortunately, the Illinois Department of Transportation had \$3.5 million left near the end of its fiscal year that IDOT needed to spend, and earmarked the money Granite City needed for the rail.

Infrastructure funding came from the county board, which gave the city a 25 percent grant on the road and on the holding ponds, and allowed the city to borrow money for the road. The Madison County Special Sewer District agreed to extend sewer service to the development. Other funding mechanisms were put in place.

"The only problem was we were going to have a debt service of \$112,000 to \$115,000 a year to pay off these loans," Brown said. "So we went into prolong negotiations with Precoat."

Precoat was originally going to build a 75,000 square foot plant that would have generated \$80,000 a year in revenue, which left the city \$30,000 to \$35,000 short on its debt service.

"As we kept going through the negotiations, Midwest kept increasing the size of its plant; which is increasing the revenue because we capture the TIF revenue based on the taxes that are generated from the building," Brown said. "So we went to somewhere over \$100,000," he said.

"As part of our final negotiations with them, they have

agreed if we have a shortfall in the first two years, they will make up any of that shortfall up to \$25,000," he said.

Therefore, he said, the city has a two-year window to develop the rest of the project.

The next step was to secure a 50-foot easement from Norfolk Southern along the railroad's loop track, sandwiched between Highway 3, Missouri Avenue and Pontoon Road. The track makes a 180-degree turn at that point.

However, the railroad at first did not want to let the city have that easement, because Norfolk Southern wanted it for their own use.

Brown and Charles Juneau then approached A.O. Smith on Juneau's suggestion, to see if the automotive plant officials would sell the city an easement to put in the rail to service Midwest.

Officials at A.O. Smith said to talk to their home office in Wisconsin, where company officials said they'd sell an easement. However, A.O. Smith at that time was being bought out by Tower Automotive out of Canada.

Tower Automotive kept to the agreement with A.O. Smith, but officials decided they would not sell, but give the land to the city. The automotive plant had some land with a track; if the city were to repair the track, it could have the land.

"So I checked with IDOT and they had their look at it and it's going to cost us about \$800 to fix it," Brown said, which the city agreed to.

(The third and final installment in this series will appear in the Dec. 4 Press-Record.)

## Landmark may get facelift from architect

An Edwardsville landscape architect wants to transform the grain tower at Peter Station into a garden business and office setting. Kenneth Noll of Noll and Associates presented preliminary plans for his Garden Kingdom to the village's Building and Development Committee.

The plan will build around and preserve the 1920s-era

grain elevator tower that drew Noll to the site off Illinois Route 157 at Illinois Route 162. The 100-foot-by-350-foot site also will include the old truck scale area, which will be modified and incorporated into the new building.

All materials will tie in with the old to preserve the historical nature of the landmark.

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# OPINION

## IN TOUCH WITH THE 20TH DISTRICT

### Fiscal history made in 1997

By U.S. Rep. John Shimkus, 20th District. He can be reached at his District offices in Springfield (492-5090) or in Collinsville (344-3065).

Congress has adjourned for the year and will return in January for the State of the Union Address. While I look forward to going back to Washington to fight for the interests of the 20th Congressional District, I also must take a moment to let you know that we are working hard and producing real change, not just rhetoric.

Fiscally, this Congress has made history. We passed into law a plan to balance our federal budget by 2002, and we may succeed in achieving balance as soon as next year. Instead of running deficits year in and year out, we now will live within our means, only spending what we bring in. This means lower taxes for future generations.

Another important issue that we worked on with great success this year is education. On Oct. 29, the House approved a resolution that calls for 90 percent of Department of Education elementary and secondary education programs funds to be spent on the classroom — not on bureaucracy. I was shocked to learn that 62 percent of these dollars currently make it into classrooms. On a related front, and in concert with our efforts to get money for education back to the states, we passed H.R.



Rep. John Shimkus

1385. This bill will provide block grants to the states for consolidation of 60 federal job training, adult literacy and employment programs.

Strengthening the fiber of American families is another goal of the Republican Congress. The House and Senate both passed The Adoption Promotion Act of 1997. This bill streamlines the cumbersome adoption process for foster children to ensure that more vulnerable children are placed in permanent, stable, loving homes. I hope the President signs this good bill into law.

Finally, I am sure many of you may have heard by now, the Congress passed into law tax cuts for Americans. We cut the tax on selling your home and one capital gains. We reduced the tax families pay when a farm or business passes from one generation to the next. We expanded IRAs, provided a \$500 per child tax credit, and established tax shelters for first-time home buyers. This \$94 billion tax cut was the first significant federal tax reduction since President Reagan cut taxes 16 years ago.

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### Developer denial

I'm calling about the recent article in the Collinsville Herald regarding the City Council denying a developer's request for multi-family units in Collinsville. We had a similar situation up in Maryville. We had hundreds of people sign petitions against a proposed multi-family unit, and the largest group in Planning Commission history showed up at the Planning Commission meeting to oppose this. Yet, the units are being built as we speak.

I guess it goes to show that the city of Collinsville listens more to its citizens and their wishes than Maryville does. Maybe it's time we get someone in the Maryville administration who listens to what the people want.

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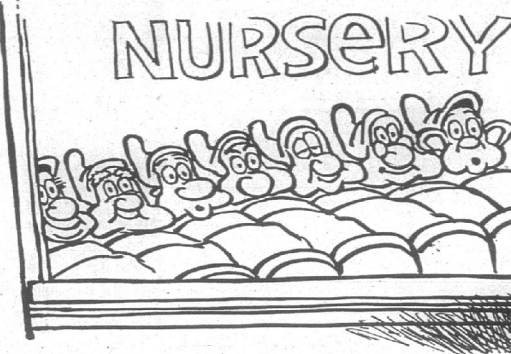
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ACTUALLY, IT WASN'T REALLY SO HARD TO NAME THEM.

## GUEST COLUMN

### Lawyers' fees have gotten out of control

By Ed Murnane, president of the Illinois Civil Justice League, reporter, columnist and political editor of the Daily Herald in Arlington Heights. He was twice honored for public affairs reporting by the American Political Science Association.

The notorious McDonald's hot coffee case of a few years ago has become one of the icons of the tort reform movement in the United States. How, people asked, could a system reward — with millions of dollars — someone who inflicted pain on herself, someone who put a cup of hot coffee between her legs while sitting in an automobile and was burned as a result of it.

While the initial award of \$2.9 million was reduced by a judge who showed more common sense than the jury did, one of the most shocking, and revealing, facts of the case was the size of the fee the woman's lawyer was due to receive.

In a television interview before the award was reduced, the lawyer acknowledged that he was to receive \$2.2 million of the award. Even with the reduction of the award to under \$1 million, the personal injury trial lawyer who represented the woman was to receive much of it.

Outrageous fees for personal injury lawyers are not unusual. Under the so-called "contingency fee" system in practice in the United States, lawyers agree to take a case for a percentage of the award. Usually, the fee is one-third, but in many suits it is more; rarely is it less.

The size of the lawyers' fees is one of the major contributions to the high cost of litigation in the United States. In fact, it is the potential of those large fees that drives much of the litigation.

Look at some examples. In 1995, it was revealed that of \$9 billion spent by American companies in the asbestos industry to settle injury claims, \$6 billion went to lawyers.

The recent second-hand smoke settlement announced in Florida will provide \$49 million to the personal injury lawyers who represented the member of the "class action" suit. The 60,000 clients included in the suit apparently will get nothing.

In 1995, it was revealed that of \$9 billion spent by American companies in the asbestos industry to settle injury claims, \$6 billion went to lawyers.

Contingency fee attorneys in Texas have earned as much as \$90 million in a single year as a result of massive settlements. In Illinois, it is not uncommon for some of the big name contingency fee personal injury lawyers to receive more than \$20 million in settlements or awards.

Plane crashes are big money makers for contingency fee lawyers, and a \$100 million settlement produces at least \$33 million for the lawyers, usually more.

The issue of contingency fees, and possible regulation of such fees, has been debated for years. The public believes they should be controlled, or at least more fully disclosed.

A survey conducted last July by Public Opinion Strategies, a nationally recognized research firm based in Alexandria, Va., showed that:

86 percent favor a requirement that lawyers provide a financial statement listing all expenses associated with the case and details of how much the lawyers earned per hour for work on the case;

86 percent favor a requirement that lawyers provide a written estimate of the amount of money they will make if they win and give the consumer the choice of either paying by the hour or paying a percentage of the award; and

83 percent favor a requirement that

lawyers provide an advance written statement of the number of hours they will work on a case and, at the conclusion of the case, how many hours were actually worked.

Illinois Sen. Kirk Dillard proposed legislation earlier this year that would implement some of these concepts. Dillard's bill, called the "Attorney-client Contingent Fee Information Act," would require attorneys to keep records of the number of hours spent on the case, the expenses involved and the average fee per hour earned by the attorney.

While Dillard does not propose limiting contingency fees, others would like to take that extra step and limit or even prohibit contingency fees, and require personal injury attorneys to work on an hourly basis.

According to Professor Lester Brickman of the Manhattan Institute, some personal injury attorneys earn from \$25,000 to \$30,000 per hour, without their clients' knowledge.

In an article in the Wall Street Journal Nov. 10, 1997, writer Matthew Scully makes another point, comparing contingency fees with "champerty."

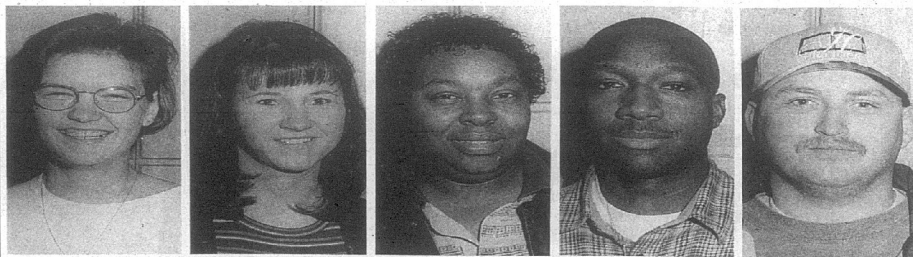
"The principle of champerty is that an attorney who is paid a percentage of total jury awards, fronting the costs of litigation, becomes a party to that suit. He is no longer merely an advocate serving client and law but a self-interested claimant acting under the guise of justice," Scully wrote. "The prohibition (of champerty) goes back to feudal times, when champerty was rampant. It was aimed not at citizens with legitimate claims and grievances but against those who trafficked in litigation," said the Irish Supreme Court.

Controls on contingency fees were not included, or even proposed, in the 1995 Civil Justice Reform Amendments in Illinois. But as the size of awards increases, and as personal injury lawyers continue to drive the cost of litigation skyward, perhaps it is time for legislation similar to Sen. Dillard's.

## VOICE BOX

Do you prefer to get your Christmas shopping done early or wait until the last minute?

Photos and interviews by T.W. Miller  
Interviewed at St. Clair Square



"Early, because I have more options and get a better gift selection than if I wait."  
Kim Walters, 20  
Edwardsville  
Student

"Early, because I like to get it over with and beat the last minute rush."  
Kelly Lamoreaux, 30  
Collinsville  
Insurance Claims Coordinator

"Every year I try to get my shopping done early but I always end up doing my shopping at the last minute."  
Doris Wiley, 37  
Washington Park  
Sales Manager

"I wait until the last minute because you can get really good deals right before Christmas. I usually shop after Dec. 18."  
Antonio Carpenter, 22  
Belleville  
Patient Accounts Clerk

"I usually wait until the last minute because I forget about it until just before Christmas."  
Tony Morz  
Granite City  
Police Officer



# PEOPLE



The Granite City High School Alpha Peer Leaders, who were honored at the Optimists' Youth Recognition Dinner.

## Honor

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lary Martin, Julie Mills, Ryan Moenster, Craig Mooshegian, Salina Morlen, Cara Nighohosian, Amanda Pashea, Matt Rieter, Amanda Rodgers, Dustin Rosenberg,  
Holly Ryan, Katie Schermer, Katie Serrano, Cory Simpson, Blake Smith, Andrea Stovall, Kristin Stovall, Anna Tapp, Stacy Wampler, James Watson, Scott Whitehead, Brandon Williams, Kyle Wilmsmeyer

and Jenna Wright.

Alpha Peer co-sponsors are Mike Johnson and Frank McHugh.

Student Council representatives honored were:

Mike Angle, Andy Balcer, Drew Blaylock, Jeremy Champion, David Cook, David Darling, Melissa David, Jonathan Franko, Leah Gamblin, Sara Halbrook, Peggy Hammond,

Sarah Harris, Tracy Hailey, Jeanna Janek, Jonas Janek,

Karla Jones, Jacob Kamphoefner, Jeff Klee, Hillary Martin, Joi McNeish, Josh Mefford, Amy Pennell, Rachel Rees, Beth Reiter, Holly Ryan, Lisa Sabol, Katie Schermer, Stephanie Smiddy, Melissa Smith, Shannon Stapleton, Anna Tapp, Kara Wallace, Hae Won Suh, Jessica Worthen, and Regina Wright.

The Student Council sponsor is Linda Ames.

*Staff photos by John Freese*



Alpha Peer Leader Katie Serrano, left, receives congratulations from Granite City Police Department Public Affairs Officer Mike Sparks. Behind them is GCHS Assistant Principal Cindy Gagich.



Jeff Klee of the GCHS Student Council, and Mike Sparks of the Granite City Police Department, both took their turn addressing the honorees.



Sparks, Youth Recognition Dinner organizer Diana Ryan, GCHS Assistant Principal Cindy Gagich and Granite City Optimist Club President Kent Holsinger.



The members of the Granite City High School Student Council.



# CHRISTMAS

## 'Joy to the World' on church stage

By Nicole Vaughn  
Staff writer

Singing, dancing, special effects and presentation of a live baby portraying Jesus are all a part of "Joy to the World," this year's Christmas production at Midwest Community Church.

Performances for the show are set for 7 each night from Dec. 12-14 at the church, 839 Hollywood Heights Road. Those attending should arrive

20-30 minutes before the show for seating.

About 130 of the church's members are involved with this year's show. The Rev. Jerry Casey, pastor of the church, said. Church members perform as well as do their own costumes, stage work, lighting and special effects.

"We've got entire families involved," Casey said. "Everybody's got something to do. It's become a real great way to get the entire church family

united on something."

The church's choir has been practicing since August, and other members are spending several hours each week with preparations. A voluntary offering will be taken at the end of each performance.

"This is our gift to the community," Casey said. "It's a great way to start your Christmas season."

This is the church's fourth Christmas production.

## Choose clothing carefully

Clothing is a very popular choice for Christmas gift giving, but not all gifts of clothing are appreciated; many are never even worn.

To be sure that the garment you purchase will be liked and worn, take some hints from the clothing the person you are giving it to already owns.

What colors do you see most often? What styles do you see? Is there a lack in a

certain type of clothing such as sweaters, pants, skirts, shirts or jackets?

Fit can be a special problem when shopping for clothing gifts. Keep a note card indicating measurements for each person on your shopping list. Measuring garments that you know fit them well will give you the measurements you need. Take along the cards and a measuring tape.

## No need to pass on eggnog

Recent warnings against eating raw or uncooked eggs hit homemade eggnog lovers right in the holiday punch bowl — but not for long.

This once-a-year indulgence can be worry-free by purchasing ready-made eggnog from your grocer's dairy case or making a few simple changes in your favorite eggnog recipe.

Ready-made eggnog offers no potential health hazard because it is pasteurized.

It also comes in several varieties including low-fat and extra-rich.

If you're not one to trade tradition for convenience, you can make homemade eggnog safe by substituting a cooked custard for the raw eggs and following a few common sense food handling techniques.

Buy eggs from refrigerated cases only.

Refrigerate eggs in their original carton at 40 F or below as soon as possible after purchase.

Use only clean unbroken eggs.

Do not use raw eggs in salad dressings, beverages, ice cream or mousse.

Cook eggs and egg dishes to a minimum temperature of 140 F throughout.

Don't leave raw eggs or egg dishes at room temperature for more than one hour including preparation and serving time.

Thoroughly wash all utensils and other cooking equipment with hot soapy water after working with raw eggs.

When making your own eggnog, begin with the cooked custard base.

Cook the eggs, milk and sugar over low heat until an instant red thermometer registers 160 F and the mixture coats the back of a metal spoon.

To complete the recipe, add vanilla, nutmeg and/or flavorings and thoroughly chill.

For added richness, fold whipped cream or small scoops of ice cream into the chilled eggnog.

The Holiday Eggnog recipe developed by Midland United Dairy Industry Association also includes directions for almond and mocha-flavored variations.

### Holiday Eggnog

- 6 eggs
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3 cups milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 cup whipping cream

In large saucepan, beat together eggs, sugar and salt. Stir in milk. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until mixture is thick enough to coat a metal spoon, about 15 minutes (thermometer should register 160 degrees).

Remove from heat. Stir in vanilla and nutmeg. Cover and refrigerate until thoroughly chilled, several hours or overnight.

Just before serving, beat whipping cream until soft peaks form. With wire whisk, gently fold whipped cream into custard mixture. Serve, if desired, with additional nutmeg. Makes 1 1/2 quarts.

**Variations:**  
For Almost Eggnog, omit nutmeg. Stir 1/2 cup almost-flavored liqueur or 1 teaspoon almond extract into egg mixture before chilling. Proceed as above. Makes about 1 1/2 quarts.

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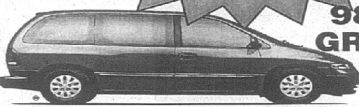
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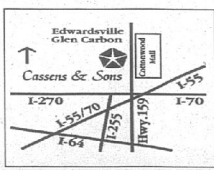
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KMOV	(4)	Touched by an Angel (R)	"Boredom Hates A Holiday Romance" (1997) (R)	News (C)	Sports Sun.	Entertainment Tonight	Viper "Wildcats Run"					
KSKD	(3)	National Geo.	"National American's Christmas Vacation" (1989) (R)	News (C)	Sports Sun.	Pollstar! The Legacy: FX Series						
KSLD	(3)	National Geo.	"Lovers' Life-Work" (Kung-Fu) (Hunger)	Critic	Edgington	Igneous Form	N.E.O. Weekly					
KNDL	(6)	"The Love Bug"	** "Street Fighter" (1994, Adventure), Road Rules (R)	News (R)	Frasier (R)	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek Voyager (R)					
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BOFS	(2)	ABL Basketball: Orest at StOnys		NBA Action: NHL Shots	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	College Soccer					
CNN	(3)	Prime News	Sports Impact (R)	World Cup	Sports	Impact (R) (R)	Sports	Worl				
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USA	(2)	The Untouchables	Mr. T's Saturday Night	Mr. T's Saturday Night	Big Easy (In Stereo) (R)	Blackout (1980) Drama	Blackout (1980) Drama					
ESPN	(3)	Pacific Blue "Solo Mats" Silk Strikings "Widely"	La Femme Nikita "Niska"	NFL Sportscenter (R)	NFL Sportscenter (R)	MLP Primetime (R)	World Cup Salo					
DISC	(2)	Wald Discovery: Primatals	Species of Magic	Spinlock-Lux	Justice Fairs (R)	Wald Discovery: Primatals	Species of Magic					
TBS	(3)	National Geo.	** "A Year in the Desert" (1996, Drama) (C)	Thomas & Friends (R)	Thomas & Friends (R)	National Geo.	National Geo.					
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TMN	(3)	** "The Soundmen"	** "The Soundmen"	** "40 Acres				Gary Grant				
A&E	(3)	Shooter	Hunting Championship Rodeo (R)	Raceway	NHLA	NASCAR	Road	Auto Racing				
MTV	(8)	Speed Rules	Real Rules	Daria (R)	Cartoon	Puffy Taut Austin's	Unplugged (R) (In Stereo)	100 Minutes:				
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**Dorothy Meyer**  
DOROTHY K. MEYER, 60, of Granite City, Ill., died at 97 in Hillsboro, Mo., Nov. 18. Mrs. Meyer was associated as an L.L. Evans employee in Granite City. Survivors include Milbur Meyer, master, Alleta N. Meyer, secretary, Liberty Bank, Hannibal.

**Florence Meyer**  
FLORENCE M. MEYER, 49, of St. Louis, Mo., died Monday, Nov. 18, at the Hospital in St. Louis. Mrs. Meyer was a bookkeeper for the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. where she was a member of Assumption, Heights.

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## NEWS

## OBITUARIES

**Dorothy Meyer**  
DOROTHY (GRUBER) HILLEN MEYER, 82 of Bingham, Ill., formerly of Granite City, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997, in Hillsboro, Ill.  
Mrs. Meyer was employed at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City as an LPN until retiring, she was associated with the Salvation Army in Granite City.  
Survivors include her husband, Elmer Meyer of Bingham; and a sister, Aleta Meyer of Chicago.  
Services were Tuesday, Nov. 25, at Liberty Baptist Church in Bingham.

**Florence Boone**  
FLORENCE "FLO" K. (DOBBER) BOONE, 49, of Fairview Heights died Monday, Nov. 24, 1997, at Memorial Hospital in Belleville. She was born May 15, 1948, in Davenport, Iowa.  
Mrs. Boone was the secretary-treasurer of Boone Investigations Inc., in Fairview Heights, where she worked for 17 years. She was a member of Our Lady of the Assumption Church in Fairview Heights.

## Shimkus hears tax concerns

By Mary Brase  
Telegraph staff writer

Imagine signing up to pay off a loan at \$100 a month and learning only later that the monthly interest adds back the same \$100.

That's the deal a Mount Vernon woman described Monday before an Internal Revenue Service Tax Forum set up by three central Illinois Republican congressmen to hear complaints about the federal income tax system.

The public session at the Gateway Center in Collinsville with U.S. Reps. John Shimkus of Collinsville, Ray LaHood of Peoria and Thomas Ewing of Champaign invited public input for additional reforms.  
The Mount Vernon woman said her troubles began when her waterbed store closed in Centerville 10 years ago and the IRS waited more than nine years to notify her at her home address that she owed about \$3,000.

After setting up the \$100 monthly payment and paying off about \$2,400, the woman said she thought she was almost finished. That's when the IRS told her about the \$100 monthly interest. It wasn't until April 1996, after an intervention by Shimkus, that the agency first told her the total debt — still about \$3,000, she said.

Nobody would make that kind of a deal. It could never be paid off, the woman said, adding that she still is paying, partially out of fear.

"They found me nine-and-a-half years after the event and a half-year before the limitation expired," Ewing said.  
"That \$100 a month is like

Survivors include her husband, Walter "Wally" Boone, her children, Richard Boone and Stephanie Boone, and her grandchildren, nine brothers and sisters, Dorothy Brooks of Buffalo, Mo., Mary Boyle of Collinsville, Ray Nations of Fairview Heights, Sue Ketterer of Belleville, Margaret Calico of Highland, Debbie Dobler of Fairview Heights, Ken Dobler of Fairview Heights, Robert Dobler of Granite City and Harry Dobler of Belleville; and her step-father-in-law, Fred Hemme of Marissa.  
She was preceded in death by her mother, Doris (Magnuson) Dobler.

Visitation will be from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. today, Wednesday, at Kasky Mortuary, 9900 St. Clair Ave., Fairview Heights. Funeral procession will leave at 9:30 a.m. today for the Assumption Church for a 10 a.m. Mass with the Rev. James H. Jensen officiating. Burial will be at Lake View Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.  
In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to Hospice of Southern Illinois in her name.

## Tommy Gage

By Mary Brase  
Telegraph staff writer

stay-out-of-jail money to keep them off your back," she said.  
A Vandalia woman said she cashed in life insurance and finally was able to set up a \$50 monthly plan to repay income taxes after the family lost the farm, even though they had about a half-acre of flowers, donations are requested to Hospice of Southern Illinois in her name.

If they couldn't pay, IRS agents told her the government would take their cars, put a lien on their property and garnish their wages until the bill was paid in full.  
When she complained that nothing was left to pay other bills or qualify for food stamps because the government took what they earned, she was told that "the IRS will leave you enough to survive."

That was his answer to me," she said.  
Getting lump sum payments when their farm property sold and moving to find new jobs were not enough to pay off the bill or even learn what she owed until Shimkus intervened, she said.

After a call from the congressman, the IRS decided the government owed the family \$37, she said.

"It should not take a lawyer or a congressman to get an answer from the IRS. They are supposed to serve us," Shimkus said, suggesting an ombudsman inside the agency to help taxpayers with their needs.

A St. Louis man complained that the IRS kept him from his father's inheritance while the agency waited six years with what was owed.

"They deprived me of one-fifth share of a \$2 million estate," he said.

## FUNERAL SUMMARY

**John Compton**  
JOHN E. COMPTON, 69, of Glen Carbon, died Thursday, Nov. 20, 1997, at Caseyville Care Center. He was born March 2, 1928, in St. Louis.

Services were Monday, Nov. 24, at the funeral home with the Rev. Givens officiating. Burial was in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.  
Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society, to the American Lung Association or to the Salvation Army.

**William Fischer**  
WILLIAM C. FISCHER, 76, of Granite City, formerly of Bonne Terre, Mo., died at 9:37 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1997, at his home. He was born May 17, 1921, in Shenandoah, Iowa.

Services were Saturday, Nov. 22, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Edwardsville with the Rev. John Corradetti officiating. Burial was in Quercus Grove Cemetery near Edwardsville.  
Arrangements were handled by Daumier Mortuary, Ltd., Hamel, Ill.  
Memorials are suggested to Catholic Charities.

**Lucille Foehse**  
LUCILLE L. FOEHSE, 85, of Granite City died at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997. She was born June 14, 1912 in Nameoki Township.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 25, at Mercer Chapel with the Rev. Michael Hart officiating. Arrangements were handled by Thomas Mortuaries Ltd. Burial was at Sunset Hill.

Memorials may be made to Concordia Lutheran Church.

**Tommy Gage**  
By Mary Brase  
Telegraph staff writer

A head-on traffic crash on Highway 140 that killed both drivers involved an Alhambra woman on court supervision for driving under the influence.  
Lorena K. Kunde, 34, died about 8:30 p.m. Sunday after her eastbound pickup truck crossed the center line near Hoxie Drive and crashed into a westbound Lincoln Towncar in the oncoming lane.

The second driver, Edwin D. Balon, 72, of the 6900 block of Old Carpenter Road in Edwardsville, was trapped in his car and died a few minutes earlier at the scene, said Chief Investigator Ralph Baahmann of the Madison County Coroner's Office.

After the first impact, a second, full-sized pickup truck, driven by Richard Hosto of Worden, crashed into Kunde's pickup, rolling the smaller truck over on the driver's side.

Hosto told authorities he was unable to stop in time to avoid the second collision, authorities said.

He was treated for minor injuries at Anderson Hospital in Maryville and later released.  
Kunde, a part-time bartender at Stagger Inn Again in Edwardsville, was sentenced May 15 to 12 months of court supervision after pleading guilty to driving under the influence on Aug. 19, 1996.

Two additional charges of improper lane usage and illegal transportation of alcohol

of the Rev. Charley Lovey officiating. Burial was in Assumption Cemetery in Austin, Texas.

**Minnie Jones**  
MINNIE VENITA JONES, 86, of Highland died at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997, at St. Joseph Hospital. She was born Dec. 26, 1910 in Algire, Mo.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 25, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland with the Rev. Leonard E. Pye officiating. Burial followed at Calvary Cemetery in St. Louis.  
Memorials may be made to HIS KIDS Inc.

**Carl Mathias**  
CARL EDWARD MATHIAS, 73, of Granite City died at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1997. He was born April 27, 1924, in Pana, Ill.

Services were Saturday, Nov. 22, at Irwin Chapel with the Rev. John Walter officiating. Graveside services were in Tower Hill City Cemetery in Tower Hill, Ill.  
Memorials are suggested to St. Elizabeth Medical Center Health Foundation.

**Richard Rogers Sr.**  
RICHARD L. ROGERS SR., 51, of Maryville, formerly of Collinsville and Granite City, died Saturday, Nov. 8, 1997, at his home. He was born Nov. 2, 1946, in Granite City.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 11, at Maryville Assembly of God with the Rev. Shane Sauer officiating. Burial was in Valley View Cemetery.  
Arrangements were handled by Werner Chapel in Granite City.

**Leo Schmersahl**  
LEO C. SCHMERSAHL, 84, of O'Fallon, Mo., died Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997. He was born Feb. 26, 1913, in Madison.

Services were Wednesday at

Assumption Catholic Church, Third and Main in O'Fallon, Mo. Burial followed at the Assumption Parish Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Assumption Church Building Fund, in care of Baue Funeral Home.

**Evelyn Scott**  
EVELYN DULAN SCOTT, 91, of Madison died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1997, at University Manor Nursing Home in Edwardsville.

Services were Monday, Nov. 24, at Mt. Nebo Baptist Church in Madison with the Rev. Randora Fogg officiating. Arrangements were handled by Officer Funeral Home Metro East Chapel. Burial was in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

**William Wachter**  
WILLIAM A. WACHTER, 70, of Granite City died at 6:28 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He was born May 12, 1927, in Granite City and was a lifetime resident.

Services were Friday, Nov. 21, at Thomas Chapel with the Rev. Alan Reiter, Pastor of St. John United Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested to St. John United Church of Christ.

**Vasta Williams**  
VASTA CLEVELAND WILLIAMS, 101, of Friendswood, Texas, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997. She was born July 22, 1896, in Alton, Ill.

Services were Tuesday, Nov. 25, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Walnut Creek, Ark., with the Rev. Paul Davis officiating. Burial followed at Mt. Zion Cemetery.

## Two die in head-on accident

Alhambra woman was on court supervision at time of crash

By Mary Brase  
Telegraph staff writer

A head-on traffic crash on Highway 140 that killed both drivers involved an Alhambra woman on court supervision for driving under the influence.

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The second driver, Edwin D. Balon, 72, of the 6900 block of Old Carpenter Road in Edwardsville, was trapped in his car and died a few minutes earlier at the scene, said Chief Investigator Ralph Baahmann of the Madison County Coroner's Office.

After the first impact, a second, full-sized pickup truck, driven by Richard Hosto of Worden, crashed into Kunde's pickup, rolling the smaller truck over on the driver's side.

Hosto told authorities he was unable to stop in time to avoid the second collision, authorities said.

He was treated for minor injuries at Anderson Hospital in Maryville and later released.

Kunde, a part-time bartender at Stagger Inn Again in Edwardsville, was sentenced May 15 to 12 months of court supervision after pleading guilty to driving under the influence on Aug. 19, 1996.

Two additional charges of improper lane usage and illegal transportation of alcohol

were dismissed in connection with the August incident, Circuit Court records indicate.

A Stagger Inn spokesman said Kunde was a part-time bartender and waitress. He declined to elaborate or comment at this time.

An Illinois State Police reconstruction expert investigated the crash but had not completed a report late Monday.

A preliminary police report did not indicate any evidence of alcohol found at the scene, authorities said.

Results of routine alcohol tests performed on drivers in all fatal accidents through the coroner's office will not be available for several weeks, Baahmann said.

Authorities have not determined details of the 7:40 p.m. crash or where the drivers were going. State Police also were unable to determine why Kunde's car crossed the center line into the opposite lane.

An official inquest into the deaths was scheduled for Dec. 17.

**Cooking**  
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going into the restaurant business they have to learn. The labor situation, you can't have somebody piddle around all day long to make one pie.

When preparing a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, Sommer said the most important thing is to make sure the turkey is properly thawed before cooking.

"Make sure you thaw it out at room temperature and don't try to force-thaw it out," he said. "Give it about two hours to the pound, or else put it under cold running water."

If not properly thawed, he said the bird could cook incompletely, creating a problem with bacteria and foodborne illness.

"The same way with the bread dressing," he said. "I always prepare my dressing and bake it on the side."

"Sometimes the heat doesn't permeate all the way through the bird, especially if it's a large bird," he said.

As for the actual dressing, Sommer said it depends on the individual's taste.

"I kind of stick with the German tradition. I like to put raisins or apples or prunes," he said.

Oysters are also good, but he cautioned that making sure they are properly cooked is even more important.

"I always sauce it in a little butter until the edges curl, then I add them to my dressing and I make sure I bake it completely through," he said.

As a side dish, he recommended butternut squash with sautéed apples and cranberry relish.

For the squash, he said to cook and peel the squash like a sweet potato, add apples sautéed in butter, put in a casserole and add a crumb pecan topping. Bake at 350 degrees for about 30 minutes.

For the cranberry relish, chop wild cranberries and mix in apple, orange and sugar. "That's a little bit different twist than the same old cranberry sauce," he said.

After the meal, he said meat should be picked off the carcass as quickly as possible.

"Make sure that when the turkey comes off the table it goes into a refrigerator," he said.

A quick way to use leftover turkey is in a pot pie.

"Take your stock or any gravy left, add meat to it, and put some diced potatoes and carrots with it, put it in a pan and put a pastry crust on top of it and bake it off," he said.

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**THE LAY AND YOUNG**  
By RICK REED  
Attorney At Law

When a couple obtains a divorce, the Court awards custody of a minor child based on the best interests of the child. Should the Court consider the religious beliefs of the respective parents in awarding custody? This question arose in a recent case in Illinois.

At the time of the divorce, the husband and wife were given joint custody of the minor child. When the child was about to enter kindergarten, the mother petitioned the Court to modify the original judgment of dissolution to award her full custody and control of the child. The trial court judge granted the father's request that he be given primary physical custody of his son, subject to liberal visitation by the mother.

The trial court found that one factor which tipped the scales toward the father was the father's religious beliefs. It was the Court's opinion that upbringing in a religion was important to a child of that age. The testimony indicated that the father was a regular churchgoer, but that the mother never attended church. The trial judge's decision to award custody to the father was based in part on the father's active participation in an organized religion.

When the Court awarded primary physical custody to the father, the mother took the case to the Appellate Court. The mother argued that the Court's consideration of the religious beliefs of the parties violated the first amendment to the United States Constitution. The Appellate Court agreed with the mother and noted that "religiousness," with the mother and a parent is not an uncertain guide as to a person's fitness as a parent. The Court further noted that it was wrong to conclude that providing a religious environment in the home is beneficial to the child's welfare. The judges concluded that religion, in and of itself, must play no role in judicial determinations as to child custody.

The Court went on to state that if a trial court were to give preference to parents who were actively involved in organized religion, this would serve to punish parents who do not believe in God by making it less likely they would gain custody of their children. For the trial court to consider religion in awarding custody went beyond neutrality towards religion according to the Appellate Court. Therefore, the decision of the trial court was reversed, and the case was sent back for another hearing based on these findings.

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**Mission**  
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"I don't know how big of a crowd we'll have," Gibson said, adding mission leaders are trying to get the word out the mission is once again open.

While it was closed, services and activities at Jesus' Place were held elsewhere. Services were held at First Baptist Church in Granite City, who graciously opened their doors to the mission, Gibson said.

The drug rehab program suffered a little bit, he said, because participants needed to get treatment one place, instead of moving elsewhere.

"It's nice to have it behind us," Gibson said.

"They could see it was not (politically motivated) and we had life-safety concerns," Tuley said. "They realized the best way to get back in was to comply, which they did."



## SOCIETY

## WEDDING



Carole and Paul Suzuki

## Busch — Suzuki

Carole Busch and Paul Suzuki were married Aug. 1, 1997, in Marina Del Rey, Calif.

The bride is the daughter of Pat and Cathy Busch of Granite City. She is a 1992 graduate of Granite City High School, and a graduate of the University of Illinois and of Washington University Law School.

The groom is the son of Kikuko Suzuki and the late George Suzuki of Los Angeles. He is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles and the UCLA Law School, and is now a principal of the

firm Suzuki & Ito of Los Angeles.

Antia Busch of Los Angeles, a sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Carole Angle of Granite City was a bridesmaid. Cory Watkins-Suzuki, the groom's 10-year-old son, was the best man.

Also attending were former Granite City residents Mike Moore, Brian Baljanski, John Hartung and Steve Yencho.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Marina Beach Marriott Hotel. The couple resides in Los Angeles.

## MILESTONES

Ceil Kowalczyk celebrated his birthday Nov. 23.  
Jordan Elizabeth Mendez celebrated her 3rd birthday Nov. 23.

Jeanna Pinkley celebrated her 28th birthday Nov. 24.  
Wendy S. Boyett celebrated her 34th birthday Nov. 24.  
Gary Wayne Summers celebrated his 6th birthday Nov. 24.

Terry Padgett celebrated her 29th birthday Nov. 24.  
Janet Waligorski celebrated her 51st birthday Nov. 24.  
Joey Pritchard celebrated his 10th birthday Nov. 25.

Travis J. Brown celebrated his 5th birthday Nov. 25.  
Eric Slover celebrated his 26th birthday Nov. 25.  
Ruth Sugg celebrated her birthday Nov. 25.

Derek and Sheri Meier celebrated their 3rd anniversary Nov. 25.  
Karen Sue Orr celebrates her 50th birthday today, Nov. 26.

Caroline Jean Walls celebrates her 41st birthday today, Nov. 26.  
Steven Dorris celebrates his 4th birthday today, Nov. 26.

Jenny Goble celebrates her 23rd birthday today, Nov. 26.

## Eagles kickoff



The annual kickoff dinner of the Eagles Aerie was held in October, to raise money for the Thanksgiving dinners to be given to people with no family or who cannot afford a dinner. Pictured at the dinner are, from left: Angie Buehler, who was honored as Senior Citizen of the Year; Michael Kane from ACT Bus Co., the main speaker of the evening; and kickoff chairman Mark Von Nida. The dinner was prepared and served by the Auxiliary Ladies. Barbara Ramsey was in charge of the kitchen and Hilda Melton and Nina Jackson were in charge of decorations.

## SPECIAL DELIVERIES

The following birth announcements were released by St. Elizabeth Hospital in Belleville.

Oct. 24, 1997  
Ron and Phyllis Ernst of Belleville, a boy.

Oct. 25, 1997

Tedra Stacker of Centerville, a girl.  
Oct. 27, 1997  
Jane and Scott Hawthorne of Belleville, a girl.

Oct. 29, 1997  
Karen and Dennis Warhol of O'Fallon, a girl.

Oct. 31, 1997  
Gwendolyn and David Bennett of Caseyville, a girl.  
Tammy Freeman of Sparta, a boy.  
Chale Van Klavoren of Belleville, a boy.  
Nov. 1, 1997

Shanal and Demond Hunt of Centerville, a girl. Nov. 2, 1997  
Rebecca and Joseph Fahey of Red Bud, a boy.  
Nov. 3, 1997  
Jane and Bob Miller of Belleville, a girl.

## BIRTH

## Paige Scroggins

Leon A. and Tami M. Scroggins of Peoria have announced the birth of their daughter.

Paige Alexandra Scroggins was born at 1 p.m. Oct. 14, 1997, at Proctor Hospital in Peoria. She weighed 7 pounds,

5 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Janet Martin of Peoria and Wesley Martin of Farmington.

Marciana Brewer of Peoria and Leon G. Scroggins of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

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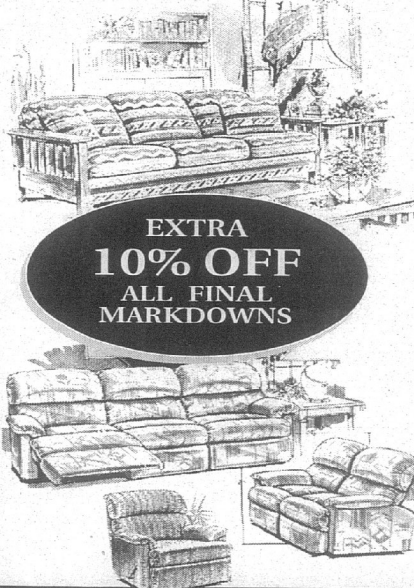
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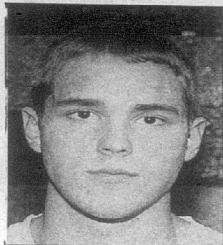
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# Warriors open season with another win

## Regular season dual-meet victory streak moves to 93



Granite City's Jonas Janek won by an 8-0 decision at 160 pounds in the Warriors' victory against O'Fallon on Tuesday night.

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

The Granite City Warriors opened the 1997-98 wrestling season by winning their 93rd consecutive dual meet — and 977th all-time meet — making quick work of the visiting O'Fallon Panthers 67-6.

"In my eyes, as the coach, we didn't do as well as the score indicated," said GCHS coach Mike Garland. "There were some negative things that we have to work on before the big tournaments roll around. But there were some real bright spots tonight, too. I was very impressed with Richle (Carney) and the way he came back to win."

Carney (103 pounds), a sophomore, trailed Ryan Gardner 10-5 in the third period but rallied to pull out a tense 12-10 decision, scoring on a reversal with just 5 seconds left in the match.

### PREP WRESTLING

#### GRANITE CITY 67, O'FALLON 6

The win gave Granite a 3-0 lead and the Warriors never looked back from there.

Sophomore Chad Wilson (112) completely dominated Greg Conary in the second match, scoring a win by fall at the 1:07 mark to increase the Warriors' lead to 9-0.

Adame Dunnivant (119) showed why he is one of Granite's senior team leaders, pinning Steve Daniels in only 44 seconds for a 15-0 GCHS lead.

Ben Lofink (125), a junior, pinned Dan Nixon at 3:06 of the second period and the Warriors were in complete control at 21-0.

Junior Dennis Davis (130) fought through two close periods before losing a decision by fall to Chuck Burrows, cutting the Warriors' margin to 21-6.

"Davis got pinned, but he did a lot of things well," said Garland. "He had good hand control. He had good fundamentals. His opponent had been a state qualifier last year, but Dennis never gave an inch. He worked hard to the very end, and I was pleased with that."

In the 135-pound weight class, Matt Werner took a 13-5 lead into the third period of his match before pinning Travis Hackney at the 4:58 mark. The win upped Granite's lead to 27-6.

Ryan Worthen, a 140-pound senior, registered a dominant win over O'Fallon's Preston Jacobs, taking a 10-5 lead after one period and then pinning Jacobs at the 2:54 mark. The Warriors jumped ahead 35-6.

Brooks Narvaez (145) quickly disposed of Tatum Hackney, pinning his foe in just 1:45.

Ike Newman (152) took an 8-1 lead after two periods and then survived a

furious third period rally by the Panthers' Jason Dowdy. Newman hung on for an 11-7 victory, moving the Warriors in front by 42-6.

Jonas Janek (160) was impressive in his whitewash of Nathan Speer, working his way to a solid 8-0 win and putting four more points on the board for GCHS.

George Kirgan (171) eased to an 8-4 win over Chris Oliver before the last three Granite grapplers pinned their respective opponents.

Kevin Venne (189), a second-place finisher in last year's individual state tournament, pinned Nick Deignan at 2:33.

Freshman Bobby Grammar (215) won by fall over Scott May at 3:01 and freshman David Crouch (275) pinned Nathan Hustedde in 3:06.

"I was proud of our freshmen.

(See WRESTLING, Page 3B)

## Warriors freeze Pirates

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

In a match marred by major penalties, the Granite City Warriors defeated Pattonville 3-1 last Saturday in

**CLUB ICE HOCKEY**  
MID-STATES  
GRANITE CITY 3, PATTONVILLE 1

Pattonville was whistled for 18 penalties, including three game misconducts and a pair of 10-minute misconducts. One Pattonville player drew six penalties, the last two coming on a pair of double-minors from the same play. MSCHA rules call for an automatic ejection after one player accumulates five penalties. The Pattonville coach was also ejected.

Granite City drew the first four penalties of the game before turning to a disciplined style of play which gave them the upper hand in the contest.

The Warriors scored at 7:24 of the first period when freshman Kyle Hensley took a cross-ice pass from Greg Boyer and beat the Pattonville goalie for a 1-0 Granite City lead.

The play was textbook in nature as the Warriors won the face-off, sent the puck to the point, fired a shot, sent the rebound to the corner, passed the puck out front, where Hensley one-timed it into the net.

The second period saw many penalties and no scoring, as Granite City outshot Pattonville 6-4 to take a 15-12 edge in shots on goal through a pair of periods.

At 14:21 of the third period, with the Warriors on a five-on-three power play, Bobby Pritchard put Granite City on top 2-0 off passes from John Burns and Bobby Harris.

Pattonville snuck in a score at the 11:24 mark off a counter attack after the Warriors had been storming the Pirates' net for several minutes on a power play. The puck squirted out toward center ice where a Pattonville player grabbed it, charged the net and buried the puck in the left corner. The short-handed goal cut the Granite City lead to 2-1. Ironically, the score was the only shot on goal for Pattonville in the third period.

Seventeen seconds later, the Warriors retaliated.

John Burns' power play goal off assists from Pritchard and Mike Angle upped the Warriors' margin to 3-1.

Granite City out-shot Pattonville 24-13 on the night, and had only seven penalties to Pattonville's 18.

"It was a very physical game," said Granite City coach Dave Yurkovich. "In

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The 1911 Granite City High School boys' basketball team was the first team in Illinois prep hoops history to reach the semifinal of the state tournament with a perfect record. The Warriors' 22-0 mark was blemished in the state semifinals by eventual champion Rockford and they settled for third place.

## 1911 Warriors posted best mark

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

During the first 10 years of the Illinois High School Association boys basketball tournament, Granite City teams made five trips to state — the best mark of the decade — and garnered a pair of third-place trophies.

Only Hinsdale, Rock Island and Bloomington, with three trophies each, fared better.

There is some discrepancy as to who coached the Warriors teams during the era, but it appears to have been a man by the name of Robertson, whose son Ernest played on the 1911 and 1912 teams.

Granite City High School's first trip to the state basketball tournament, 87 years ago this March, was a huge success.

The 1911 Warriors were the first team in Illinois history to reach the state semifinals with an unblemished record. GCHS arrived at state standing 22-0 on the year and having

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## GRANITE CITY GREATS

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## Local athletes competed in Southern Regional

The Southern Region Bowling Tournament of the Illinois Special Olympics drew approximately 250 athletes from 33 counties to St. Clair Bowl in Fairview Heights.

Athletes qualified for the regional tournament — one of four in the state — by competing eight weeks of training and winning a gold medal in one of 21 area level tournaments. Athletes could compete in singles, doubles and/or team bowling.

Gold medal winners at the Southern Region Bowling Tournament were eligible to compete this past Saturday in the Illinois Special Olympics State Bowling Tournament at Landmark Lanes in Peoria. Approximately 250 athletes were expected for that event having advanced from regional and area competition.

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State Bowling Tournament. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicago and Northwest Indiana provided the medals and ribbons for athletes at all four regional bowling tournaments in Illinois.

"Bowling is one of the most popular sports offered by Illinois Special Olympics," said Ron Knisley, Illinois Special Olympics director of sports and competition. "At the area level, more than 6,000 athletes began the trail to the state tournament."

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Complete local results with athlete and place, including gold-medal winning state qualifiers in bold face, from the Southern Region event:

### Southern Region Illinois Special Olympics Bowling Tournament

**BOULES**  
SAVE, Inc. (Belleville) — John Gass, 4; Cheryl Philippe, 4; Joan Beck, 4; Donna Forness, 4; Vickie Exum, 7; Thomas Wolfe, 7; Mary Patterson, 5; Andre Matlock, 5.  
Belleville PTOEC (O'Fallon) — Matthew Christie Tribout, Gold; Todd Downing, Gold; Samantha Shelton, Silver; Jodee Reed, Silver; James R. Miller, Silver; Michael Porrine, Silver; Tracy Peebles, Gold; Carrie Delosset, Gold; Lisa M. Norman, 6; April Rahn, 6; William H. Dunn Jr., Gold; Thomas

Stanley Cahill, Gold; Mark Hudzik, Silver; Chad Dawet, Silver.

Collinsville Kahoks (Collinsville) — Heather Jones, Gold; Donald Zuehl, Gold; Joy S. Rhoads, 5; George (Daniel) Hudson, 5.

Region 1 (Madison) — Tara Copeland, Bronze; Maverick Farwell, Bronze; Tina Ralney, Silver; Kimberly Odum, Silver; Kenneth Lohman, Silver; William Copeland, Silver; Richard Scharf, Bronze; Christopher Markovich, Bronze.

TCAH (Granite City) — Lisa Elkin, Silver; Ronnie Grippen, Silver; Michael Minner, Silver; Victor Bird, Silver.

New Opportunities (Madison) — Lynn Mercer, Gold; Thail Hampton, Gold.

St. Louis (Mascoutah) — Bob Baker, 8; Roy Robinson, 8.

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SAVE, Inc. (Belleville) — Margie Rivera, Bronze.  
Collinsville Kahoks (Collinsville) — George

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## Fireman Futch puts a little punch in his holiday

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

To Eddie Futch of the Mitchell Fire Department, it's just not the holidays without some holiday punch.

Futch will be one of four area fire and police personnel throwing punches in tonight's "Guns and Hoses" boxing extravaganza at Kiel Center at 7:30 p.m.

The 10th annual showdown is a 21-bout event benefiting the St. Louis Backstoppers. The Backstoppers provide assistance to the families of police officers and firefighters who lose their lives in the line of duty.

Those area boxers who will lace up the gloves include Futch, Larry LeMaster (Granite City Fire Department), Bob Stevens (Mitchell Fire Department) and James Geeken (Madison County Sheriff's Department).

This is only the second year the Metro East has participated in the St. Louis Metro Boxing Showdown.

Futch, who had never boxed before last year, spent only eight days training before his 1996 bout. But he won when the referee stopped action during the second round after Futch had knocked his opponent down and also secured a pair of standing eight counts.

"Last year, I was the first fighter to put a guy down," said Futch. "I hope to be as fortunate this year."

Futch, who is 37 years old, stands 5-foot-11

and weighs 175 pounds. His opponent in the light-heavyweight bout will be Hazelwood policeman James Tashner, a 6-0, 180-pound 31-year old.

"I've spent two months training this year, and I'm confident I will win," said Futch. "I've already met my opponent face-to-face. Sometimes, you can tell just by looking in a guy's eyes whether or not you can win. I know that if I fight up to my ability, I will win."

"I'm in pretty good shape. And in these contests, it's usually a matter of who has the most wind. It gets kind of funny when amateur fighters get tired. They swing and miss and, sometimes, nearly fall to the mat."

Fighters under 40 years of age fight three rounds of 1½ minutes each. Fighters over 40 and female fighters go three rounds of one minute each.

Futch fights because it's fun and he enjoys the experience of standing in a spotlight — literally — and being introduced to a large crowd.

"When you stand in the ring before 10,000 people, the experience is unreal," he explained. "Nobody is trying to hurt anybody else, but after you take a punch or two, you'd just as soon take your opponents' head off. It's not real easy to keep your composure when you're getting hit."

But, most of all, Futch fights for the cause.

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# ST. LOUIS METRO

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# SPORTS

## Warriors sweep in IV, frosh openers

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Granite City High School's freshman and junior varsity wrestling team rang up dual meet victories Tuesday at home against O'Fallon.

### PREP WRESTLING

The freshman meet was the most interesting as the Warriors jumped to an 11-0 lead and built it to 17-6. Then came nine straight forfeits when teams could not fill weight slots — four by O'Fallon, three by Granite City, and a pair by both teams. The final tally showed the Warriors in front, 35-30.

Sixteen Peach (103 pounds) opened competition with a convincing 16-1 rout of David Grant and Adam Johnson (112) won by fall to give Granite City an 11-0 cushion.

Scott Carney's pin at 3:57 of the 125-pound match was sandwiched by a pair of close 10-6 losses by Mike Hagnaur (119) and Jon Harley (130) to close out the meet.

The junior varsity Warriors cruised to a comfortable 63-0 win as eight wrestlers pinned their opponents. Jacob Trtjan (103), Paul Johnson (119), John Kelly (140), Kevin Buckingham (145) and Jeff Hard (171) all won by fall. Trtjan pinned the Panthers' Jeff Miller just 35 seconds into the first period.

Mike Hagnaur (112), Scott Carney (125), Craig Mooshegian (189) and Jason Evenden (215) all won by forfeit.

Dennis Narvaez (130) and Jim Rickett (180) wrestled the most intense matches of the evening with Narvaez winning a 10-8 decision and Rickett winning a tense 17-14 battle.

## Reiniger to make appearance at youth tourney

The 11th annual Tournament of Champions indoor soccer tournament is taking place this week at The Ball Park Sports Center in O'Fallon. The event concludes Sunday.

One of the longer running youth indoor soccer tournaments in the area, the event has several new twists this year as it begins its second decade. IYSA select teams have been added to the field, along with a high school boys division. Previously, the tournament was open only to recreational teams through the eighth grade.

The area-wide tournament attracted 41 entries, with Collinsville leading the way with 15 teams. Belleville has eight teams entered, Troy five, Alton five, Fairview Heights three, O'Fallon two, and Granite City, Cahokia and Carbondale one each.

The 10 divisions include eight for the boys — high school, 1981-84 born, '85-84, '85-86, '86-87, '87-88 select, '88-90 and '90-91. The two girls divisions are '86-90 and '88-90.

The high school boys division attracted some of the top players in the area. Granite City, Triad, Collinsville, Belleville West, Alton and Cahokia are entered in the tournament.

Players from the St. Louis Ambush professional indoor soccer team will be make appearances Saturday at The Ball Park during the tournament.

Joe Reiniger, former Collinsville High and SIU-Edwardsville standout soccer player who is also a member of the St. Louis Ambush, will make an appearance 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Saturday. Other Ambush players will also be on hand to sign autographs.

Major sponsors for the tournament are The Ball Park Sports Center, Troy Flooring Center, Downtown Imprints and the St. Louis Ambush.

The Ball Park Sports Center, Alton High School boys soccer program and Downtown Imprints '81 SC, an under-17 Troy/Collinsville-based boys select team, are the tournament hosts. Bob and Camille Emig of Collinsville are again serving as the tournament co-directors.

The daily admission charge for the tournament is \$1.25 for adults and 50 cents for children 6 through 13 years of age.

### Youth football

Collinsville Raiders and Little Knights Football Club of Belleville have teamed to host the eighth annual Pigskin Bowl.

Games run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in some of the locations: Collinsville, Belleville and Swansea serve as host sites for the games.

Ages of the participants range from 5- to 14-year olds.

"We just want to give the kids an opportunity to play other kids from other areas," said Teresa

### SCOOP DU JOUR

Mitchell, who is working Raiders president Dave Nunn in coordinating games in Collinsville.

One of the highlight games of the tournament is a noon game on Friday. That is when a team from Calgary, Alberta, Canada, clashes with a Collinsville Raiders junior team.

"It totally shocked me that a team from Canada was coming," Mitchell said. "We threw this on to the internet saying this is what we do. Teams started contacting us. The kids are coming and they are staying at the Fairfield Inn in St. Louis, which donated almost everything to them. They were real nice to them. (Fairfield Inn) is fixing a Thanksgiving dinner for them."

The Pigskin Bowl has expanded quite nicely since its inception. The first year featured 12 teams. Last year it grew to the point where four fields were needed to host 66 games from 25 different youth football organizations.

This year Mitchell says about 3,200 players will take part in the games. Teams from Omaha, Neb.; Evansville, Ind.; Kansas City, Mo.; Bloomington and Waukegan, Ill.; St. Louis, the ABC Tigers, Matthew Dickey, St. Charles Cowboys and University City Lions will participate. Locally, Highland and Alton will have teams represented.

Each team receives a game participation plaque and each player receives an individual plaque.

### Soccer honors

Four Metro East high school soccer players were recently honored by the Belle-Claire Soccer League for their outstanding play this season. The four — Kiko Perez of Belleville East, Keith Karban of Alton, Nick Carr of Mascoutah and Chris Norbet of Belleville West — were awarded the Joe Dressler Soccer Award in ceremonies at their respective schools.

The award is presented to an outstanding player from each of the high schools in the Belle-Claire League's area. Winners are chosen by their teammates on the basis of sportsmanship, citizenship and athletic ability. The award is in memory of the late Joe Dressler, a Mascoutah banker who was also a team manager and coach in the league.

### BAC baseball camp

FAC Sports Camps and Belleville Area College baseball coach Neil Flata will conduct two hitting camps and one pitching camp at BAC. The hitting camps are \$65 per session and will

be from 9-11:30 a.m. Dec. 29-31 and 5:30-8 p.m. Jan. 5-7. The pitching camp is \$45 and will be held from 12:30-2 p.m. Dec. 29-31.

For a registration sheet, call 235-2700, extension 371 during the day or (314) 487-2768 at night.

### Baseball tryout

AABC select baseball team is seeking 13- to 14-year old players for 1998 season. For information, call 277-5259 or 566-8878.

### Belleville leagues

The Belleville Parks & Recreation Department is accepting rosters for co-rec and women's recreation volleyball, men's basketball and new leagues for co-rec 35-and-over volleyball and co-rec power volleyball. For information, call 233-1410.

The Belleville Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting registration for teams in the Men's Winter Open Basketball Leagues, beginning in January. League fees are \$385 and include playoffs. Games begin week of Jan. 11 on Sundays at Belleville East High and Wednesdays at Central Junior High. For league information, call 233-1415.

### MVCHA scholarships

The Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association (MVCHA) has announced that two \$500 scholarships will be awarded this year following the 1997-98 hockey season.

All high school seniors who play for their high school hockey team in the MVCHA this season will be eligible to compete for the scholarships. Selections will be approved for distribution by the MVCHA Board of Directors. Scholarships will be distributed directly to the college, trade school, vocational school or community college of the student's choice.

Contact team coaches for an application for the scholarship program. Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 1998. For more information, call Bob Mooshegian at 468-4533 or Dr. Gary Clark at 466-1380.

### Basketball tournament

The second annual Metro Collegian boys basketball tournament will be Dec. 20-21 and 27-28 in St. Louis. The tourney is open to boys teams in grades 5-8 with a three-game guarantee. For more information or an entry form, call Joe at (314) 849-0028 or (314) 849-0498.

### METRO EAST HOCKEY

Southern Division			
Team	Conf	Overall	GF/GA
Granite City	1-0	2-0	12-2
Belleville West	1-0	2-0	9-1
Alton	1-1	1-1	6-7
O'Fallon	2-0	0-0	1-1
Cahokia	0-1	1-1	5-5
Belleville East	0-1	0-2	3-11
Northern Division			
Team	Conf	Overall	PF/FA
Roxana	1-0	1-0	10-0
Alton	1-0	1-0	8-0
Flora SW	0-0	0-0	0-0
Marquette	0-0	0-1	4-5
Edwardsville	0-0	0-1	1-4
Wood River	0-0	0-1	1-4
Civil Memorial	0-1	0-1	2-5

### GIRLS HOOPS STANDINGS

Southwestern Conference			
Team	Conf	Overall	
Edwardsville	0-0	1-0	
Belleville East	0-0	0-0	
Belleville West	1-1	0-0	
Alton	0-0	0-0	
Granite City	0-0	0-3	
E. St. Louis	0-0	0-3	
Collinsville	0-0	0-3	
Mississippi Valley			
Team	Conf	Overall	
Jessville	0-0	1-0	
Civil Memorial	0-0	2-0	
Waterloo	0-0	1-2	
Triad	0-0	0-1	
Alton	0-0	0-1	
Mascoutah	0-0	0-1	

### CAHOKIA

Team	Conf	Overall
Freeburg	0-0	2-0
Carlyle	0-0	1-1
Windsor	0-0	1-1
Dupo	0-0	0-2
Columbia	0-0	0-3
Bresco C.	0-0	0-0
Marissa	0-0	0-0
Lebanon	0-0	1-2
New Athens	0-0	0-4
Red Bud	0-0	0-4

### BOYS HOOPS STANDINGS

Southwestern Conference			
Team	Conf	Overall	
Alton	0-0	0-0	
Belleville East	0-0	0-0	
Belleville West	0-0	0-0	
Collinsville	0-0	0-0	
Edwardsville	0-0	0-0	
E. St. Louis	0-0	0-0	
Granite City	0-0	0-1	
Mississippi Valley			
Team	Conf	Overall	
Waterloo	0-0	0-0	

### CAHOKIA

Team	Conf	Overall
Bresco C.	0-0	0-0
Freeburg	0-0	0-0
Windsor	0-0	0-0
Carlyle	0-0	0-0
Marissa	0-0	0-0
Columbia	0-0	0-0
Lebanon	0-0	0-0
New Athens	0-0	0-0
Red Bud	0-0	0-0
Dupo	0-0	0-0

### INDEPENDENTS

Team	Conf	Overall
Lincoln	0-0	0-0
Maize Del	0-0	0-0
Alton	0-0	0-0
Oakville	0-0	0-0
Shawnee	0-0	0-0
Wood River	0-0	0-0
ME Lutheran	0-0	0-0
Valer	0-0	0-0
Roxana	0-0	0-0
Madison	0-0	0-1

### MEN'S COLLEGE

Team	Conf	Overall
McKendree	0-0	7-2
BAC	0-0	3-1
SIUE	0-0	1-0

## 1911

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thrashed opponents by an average score of 47-21. Along the way, the red-and-black posted three especially lopsided victories, crushing Collinsville 91-13, O'Fallon 70-14 and Hillsboro 75-19.

Stars of the squad were William Evans and John Taft, who both averaged 14.4 points per game — a sizeable scoring average by 1911 standards, and among the best such averages in the state. Other starters were Harry Branding (7.8 ppg), Thomas McKean (4.8 ppg) and Robinson (3.2 ppg).

The Warriors' schedule included a home-and-away series with schools from Bunker Hill, Upper Alton, Collinsville and Nokomis, as well as three games against college squads.

The Nokomis Redskins, a perennial state power at the time, gave Granite City its closest call during the regular season, losing 39-33. Later, on their home court, the Warriors blasted Nokomis 49-28.

GCIS ended the regular season with a mark of 17-0, allowing only one team closer than 12 points and netting only four squads within 25.

The Warriors began postseason play with a narrow 22-17 win against Mount Vernon, a team they had drubbed 49-20 just one week earlier. The red-and-black then bounced Benton 44-26 and Centralia 44-31 to win sectional honors.

Along with the sectional champion, three other teams from the sectional also advanced to the district tournament. Centralia, Benton and Mount Vernon all moved on under the system of the day.

Ironically, under a similar system 29 years later, Granite City would lose the regional championship game, advance to sectional competition and go on to win the 1940 IHSAA state title.

The Warriors drew Mount Vernon in the first game of the Southern Illinois District Tour-

namment. After quickly dispatching the Rams 30-20, they beat Benton 36-24 for the district crown and a trip to the state semifinals.

Once at state, Granite City (22-0) met eventual champion Rockford (17-1), one of the most powerful high school teams in the tournament's early history. Led by Frank Thomas, Frank Johnson, Roger Welch and Casson Squire, the RABS routed the Warriors 44-30 and went on to annihilate Mount Carroll 60-15 in what remains the most lopsided championship game blowout in the tournament's 90-year history.

GCIS rebounded to beat Paris and tourney scoring leader Jay Arbuckle — 44-35 for the consolation championship. The Warriors finished the season with an impressive 23-1

ledger, not to mention a third-place trophy which was the first state tournament trophy won by any sports team from Granite City High School.

No Granite City basketball team since has fashioned as fine a record as that 1911 squad, and only one team — the 1940 "Happy Warriors," coached by Byron Bozarth and led by the great Andy Phillip — has fared any better in state tournament play.

(This is the first story in a six-part series on Granite City High School basketball teams that reached the IHSAA state tournament. Next week's Press-Record will feature the Granite City High School state tournament teams of 1912-1916.)

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# Shootout promises long day of action

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

If you want to take in the 17th annual Coca-Cola/KMOX Shootout at Kiel Center on Thursday, Dec. 11, an early start is essential.

Activities kick off with a "breakfast special" at 8 a.m. and conclude with a scheduled 9:30 p.m. tipoff. Tournament match-ups in the one-day, 18-team affair are a prep basketball lover's dream.

At 8 a.m., Jessica Jackson, a 6-foot-3 center headed for Iowa State University, leads Belleville East (26-4 last seas-10) into battle against Spanish Lake (Mo.) Rosary (30-2) in a girls matchup.

The Lancers return their entire front-line of Jackson, 6-0 Leah Frierson and 6-0 Allison Sney from a team that lost to undefeated and eventual state runner-up Taylorville in last year's Class AA sectional championship game.

Meanwhile, Rosary returns its top six players from a balanced squad that won a school record 30 games in 1996-97.

At 9:30 a.m., Mike Waldo's Edwardsville Tigers (23-5) clash with Ladue (Mo.) (18-10) in what could be one of the most exciting games of the day.

Edwardsville welcomes back four starters from last year's team which lost to state tournament entry Alton in six overtimes in the sectional semifinals. The Tigers are paced by 6-6 center Jon Harris and 6-3 point guard Mark Allaria.

Ladue is led by flashy guard Jon-Pierre Mitchom. Galesburg (22-6), a bonafide contender for the Illinois class AA state championship in 1997-98, tangles with Wildwood (Mo.) Lafayette (24-5) in the 11 a.m. contest.

Galesburg's Silver Streaks may have the best 1-2 punch in the shoot-out in 6-5 Joey Jear (26 pp., 11 rpg.) and 6-6 Rodrick "Baby Shark" Thompson (24 pp., 15 rpg.), a transfer

## Coca-Cola KMOX Shootout

### COCA-COLA/KMOX SHOOTOUT SCHEDULE

Girls — Belleville East (26-4) vs. Rosary (30-2), 8 a.m.  
Boys — Edwardsville, Ill. (23-5) vs. Ladue (18-10), 9:30 a.m.  
Boys — Galesburg, Ill. (22-6) vs. Lafayette (24-5), 11 a.m.  
Boys — Byfield (Mass.) Dummer (16-7) vs. Paintsville, Ky. (33-4), 12:30 p.m.  
Boys — Concord (N.H.) Bishop Brady (22-1) vs. Gibault (15-12), 2 p.m.  
Girls — Taylorville, Ill. (34-1) vs. Gateway Tech (28-0), 3:30 p.m.  
Boys — Oak Park (Ill.) Fenwick (23-6) vs. Pembroke Hill (35-3), 5 p.m.  
Boys — Milwaukee (Wis.) Vincent vs. Lincoln, Ill. (25-3), 6:30 p.m.  
Boys — Ft. Lauderdale Dillard (25-4) vs. Chicago Whitney Young (30-2), 8 p.m.  
Boys — Cape Coral (Fla.) Mariner (27-6) vs. Centralia, Ill. (22-6), 9:30 p.m.

student from Chicago Carver. Both Range and Thompson have committed to the University of Iowa.

Lafayette lost in overtime to Vashon in last year's MSHSAA Class 4A sectionals and are paced by 6-6 senior Scott Brewster, who led his team in scoring, rebounds and assists last season. Like Galesburg, Lafayette picked up a key transfer for the coming year: 6-10 senior Robert Archibald, an NCAA Division I prospect from Scotland.

At 12:30 p.m., Byfield (Mass.) Governor Dummer Academy (16-7) meets Pointsville, Ky. (33-4) in a clash between two of the best pivot men in the nation.

Governor Dummer features 6-11, 245-pound Dan Gadzuric, a native of the Netherlands. The senior center averaged 27 points, 17 rebounds and eight

blocked shots last season, and is widely regarded as the country's top prep center in only his fourth year of playing basketball.

Paintsville, the Kentucky state basketball champion in 1996 and state semifinalist last year, boasts J.R. Van Hoose, who was Kentucky Player of the Year in 1996-97. Van Hoose, committed to Marshall University, has grabbed an impressive 1,702 rebounds in his first three varsity seasons.

Waterloo Gibault (15-12) takes on Concord (N.H.) Bishop Brady (22-1) at 2 p.m.

Bishop Brady is New Hampshire's defending state champion, and returns five of its top six players. Team leaders are 6-7 all-state center Billy Collins and 6-4 guard Marshall Crane. Gibault returns six letterman for the 1997-98 campaign, led by 6-6 junior John Thomas,

and has picked up a pair of key transfers: 6-10 Saint Louis University recruit Chris Braun and 6-1 guard Steve Haake.

Girls take over the action again at 3:30 p.m., as Taylorville (34-1) tackles St. Louis Gateway Tech (28-0).

Taylorville's Lady Tornados, the defending Illinois class AA runner-up, went 34-0 before losing to nationally ranked Loyola in the state title game. The Lady Tornados are led by all-anything Allison Curtin, a 5-9 University of Illinois recruit, and 5-9 Lara Weber, headed for Bradley. Curtin averaged 23 points, 10 rebounds and 6 steals per game last year.

Gateway Tech was the Missouri class 4A state title last season. The Lady Tornados are led by 6-2 junior Tiana Ford, who is joined by six letterwinners from last year's state championship team.

Oak Park Fenwick (23-6) and Kansas City (Mo.) Pembroke Hill square off at 5 p.m.

The game features a special head-to-head duel between two of the nation's "Top Ten" players: 6-6 JaRon Rush of Pembroke Hill and 6-6 Corey Maggette of Fenwick.

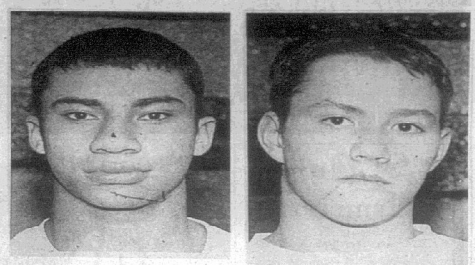
Rush has scored 2,560 points thus far in his storied career, and averaged 27.5 points per game last year during an MSHSAA Class 2A state championship season. Kareem Rush (21.5 pp.), JaRon's younger brother, gives Pembroke Hill a devastating 1-2 punch.

Fenwick, which lost in the Super-sectional round last season to national power Harvey Thornton, is paced by Maggette's 24 points per game average.

Milwaukee Vincent (24-3) meets Lincoln (25-3) at 6:30 p.m.

At 8 p.m., the nation's top-ranked team, Chicago Whitney Young (30-2), is challenged by Ft. Lauderdale (Fla.) Dillard (25-4).

Cape Coral (Fla.) Mariner (27-6) meets Centralia (22-6) in the 9:30 p.m. finale.



Brooks Narvaez (left) and Ryan Worthen were among the impressive victors for Granite City on Tuesday.

## Wrestling

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Grammer and Crouch stepped up and pinned their opponents.

On Saturday, WBGZ will broadcast the 7 p.m. game between Granite City and Jerseyville. WBGZ will also air a pair of Cahokia contests on Saturday.

First, the Cahokia-Jerseyville game at 2 p.m.; and the Cahokia game against host Alton at 5:30 p.m.

program. But they stepped-up big like the varsity wrestlers they are.

The Warriors' schedule this week include a trip to Carbondale to meet the host Terriers and the Centralia Orphans. They travel to Edwardsville on Friday, Dec. 5, to open Southwestern Conference competition.

## WBGZ to broadcast Alton tourney games

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

WBGZ Radio (1570 FM) will broadcast some key games involving the Granite City Warriors boys basketball team this weekend from the Alton River Bend Tip Off Classic.

"The Talk Of The Metrolplex" will air the game between Alton and Granite City, set for 7 p.m. Friday.

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## Bowling

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(Daniel) Hudson, Silver.

Region 2 — Special Education Cooperative (Edwardsville) — Gary Briggs, Gold; (Madison) — Jessica Miles, Gold; Christopher Markovich, Bronze.

SILC (Mascoutah) — Brenda Coderguit, Gold.

Human Service Center (Red Bud) — Raymond Beshier, Bronze.

Monroe Council (Waterloo) — Darrell Jones, Gold.

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Cahokia High School (Cahokia) —

Kristen McGuire, Bronze.

Collinsville Kahoka (Collinsville) — Donald Zeugin, Gold; Heather Jones, Gold.

Region 2 — Special Education Cooperative (Edwardsville) — Chad Bosomworth, Gold; Megan L. Few, Gold; Charles Rende Jr., Gold; Shannon Campbell, Silver; Joshua Coker, Silver; Darren Tyler Staley, Bronze; Todd Eller, 6; Matthew Heilmann, 7.

TCAH (Granite City) — John Paschedag, Gold; Brenda Bird, Gold; Frank Patton, Silver; Lisa Elkins, Silver; Nellie Jane Gardner, Bronze; Richard DeWitt, Bronze; Albert Allen, Bronze; John Carter, 4.

New Opportunities (Madison) — Donna McCoy, 4.

Region 1 (Madison) — Tina Ralston, Gold; Kimberly Odum, Gold; Jeffrey Clark, Silver.

Belleville PTOEC (O'Fallon) — James D. Dorris, Gold; James R. Miller, Gold; Thomas Kish, Gold; Jordan Kyle Stump, Silver; Savannah Shelton, Silver; Mylos Mitchell, Bronze; Monica Becker,

Bronze; Jedd Bauer, 5.

Human Service Center (Red Bud) — Theresa Crafton, Gold; Michael Crain, Silver; Steven Hudson, Silver; John Lovings, Bronze.

Specialized Living Centers (Swansea) — Christina Silvey, Silver; Rita Kob, 4; Adrienne Shelton, 4; Kenneth Newcomb, 5.

Monroe Council (Waterloo) — Jeannette Kline, Silver; Brandy Douglas, Silver; Susan Cowell, Bronze; Robert Bell, Bronze.

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Ruth Ann Walter, 6; Teri Howard, 6; Kimberly Russell, 6; Donna Frazier, 6; Denise Hastings, Gold; Allyson Lintz, Gold; Debbie Cowart, Gold; Karen Zeglin, Gold.

Region 2 — Special Education Cooperative (Edwardsville) — Jill Husted, Gold; Arlen Willing, Gold; Debra Bitter, Gold; Shannon Campbell, Gold; Chad Bosomworth, Silver; Joshua Coker, Silver; Scott Henry W. Hamann, Silver; Todd Eller, Silver.

TCAH (Granite City) — Robert Todd Bailey, Silver; James F. Taylor, Silver; John Paschedag, Silver; Sherrie Wilson, Silver; Linda Marquis, Gold; Albert Allen, Gold; Forest Batson, Gold; Suzanne Schwallier, Gold; Janet Reileke, Bronze; Richard Dermott, Bronze; Sherry Cook, Bronze; Linda Bauer, Bronze; Nellie Jane Gardner, Silver; John Carter, Silver; Joseph Rubis, Silver; Joseph Schmucke, Silver.

New Opportunities (Madison) — Donna McCoy, Gold; Pedro (Pete) Vasquez, Gold; Larry Redstone, Gold; Larry Kynion, Gold.

## Boxing

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**Hockey**

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many ways, it was out of control. Pattonville simply played without discipline. Their coach exercised no discipline. It was sad. We'll take the win, but I would like to have had it under better game conditions.

"I was proud of our kids, though," Yurkovich added. "They kept their composure throughout most of the game. They got rattled a time or two, and got caught up in the cheap play, but I Classic them down and they settled down and played a well-disciplined game."

The Granite City Warriors play at home against Hazelwood West on Monday. Face-off is at 8:45 p.m.

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Wed. 11/26	7:00	Springfield Lanphier - Alton
Fri. 11/28	7:00	Alton - Alton
Sat. 11/29	11:00	Madison - Alton
Sat. 11/29	7:00	Jerseyville - Alton
Tues. 12/02	6:15	Triad Home
Fri. 12/05	6:15	Edwardsville - Away
Fri. 12/12	6:15	Alton - Away
Fri. 12/19	6:15	Belleville East - Home
Sat. 12/20	6:15	Jerseyville Away
Mon. - Wed. 12/29-31		Collinsville Holiday Tournament
Sat. 01/03	6:15	Belleville West - Home
Tue. 01/06	6:15	Civic Memorial Home
Fri. 01/09	6:15	East St. Louis - Home
Fri. 01/16	6:15	Collinsville - Away
Wed. - Sat. 01/21-24		Salem Tournament
Fri. 01/30	6:15	Edwardsville - Home
Sat. 01/31	6:15	Alton - Home
Fri. 2/06	6:15	Belleville East - Away
Fri. 2/13	6:15	Belleville West - Away
Tues. 2/17	6:15	McCluer North - Away
Fri. 02/20	6:15	East St. Louis - Away
Sat. 02/21	6:15	Collinsville - Home
Mon. - Fri. 03/02-06		I.H.S.A. REGIONAL TOURNAMENT
Tues. - Fri. 3/17		I.H.S.A. SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT
TUES. 3/17		I.H.S.A. SUPER-SECTIONAL
Fri.-Sat. 3/20-21		I.H.S.A. STATE TOURNAMENT - PEORIA

## Granite City High School 1997-98 Girls Basketball

Wed. 11/19	6:00	Wood River - Away
Fri.-Sat. 11/21-22		Chatham Glenwood Round ROB
Tues. 12/02	6:00	Belleville East - Away
Thurs. 12/04	6:15	Edwardsville - Home
Tues. 12/09	6:15	Belleville West - Home
Thurs. 12/11	4:00	Riverview Gardens - Away
Fri. 12/12	6:15	Alton - Home
Mon. 12/15	6:15	Jerseyville - Home
Tues. 12/16	6:15	East St. Louis senior - Home
Mon. - Wed. 12/29-31		TBA
Fri. 01/09	6:15	Mascoutah Tournament
Mon. 01/12	6:00	Madison - Away
Fri. 01/16	6:15	Collinsville - Home
Mon. 1/20	6:00	Mascoutah Away
Fri. 1/23	6:15	Collinsville - Away
Fri. 1/30	6:15	Edwardsville - Away
Thurs. 2/05	6:15	Belleville West - Away
Fri. 2/06	6:15	Belleville East - Away
Mon. 2/09	6:15	Alton - Away
Mon. - Thurs. 2/16-19		I.H.S.A. REGIONAL TOURNAMENT
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Wed. 11/19	6:15	Belleville East - Home
Wed. 11/26	6:15	O'Fallon - Home
Sat. 12/06	6:00	Alton - E. Alton
Wed. 12/10	6:15	Cahokia - Home
Wed. 12/17	6:15	Belleville Althoff - Home
Sun. 12/28	10:30 AM	Bethalto E. - Alton
Sun. 1/04	7:00	Belleville West - E. Alton
Wed. 1/07	6:15	Collinsville - Home
Wed. 1/14	6:15	Belleville Althoff - Home
Wed. 1/21	6:15	Belleville East - Home
Wed. 1/28	6:15	Belleville West - Home
Sat. 2/07	6:30	Cahokia - Cahokia
Wed. 2/11	6:15	O'Fallon - Home
Wed. 1/19	7:30	Roxana - E. Alton

## Granite City High School 1997-98 Boys Wrestling

Tues. 11/25	6:00	O'Fallon - Home
Wed. 11/26	6:00	Carb/Cent - Carbond.
Fri. 12/05	3:30	Edwardsville - Away
Sat. 12/06	TBA	Morton - Quadrangular
Thu. 12/11	6:00	Civic Memorial - Home
Fri. 12/12	6:00	Lanphier - Quadrangular
Sat. 12/13		Francis Howell North JV Tourny
Thu. 12/18	6:00	Belleville West - Home
Sat. 12/20	9:00AM	Springfield Tournament
Sat. 12/20	9:00AM	Oakville JV Tournament
Mon. - Tues. 12/29-30		Granite City Holiday Tournament
Fri. 1/09	6:00	Belleville East - Away
Sat. 1/10	9:00AM	Morton Tournament
Sat. 1/10	9:00AM	Granite city JV Tourny
Thu. 1/15	6:00	Alton - Home
Fri./Sat. 1/16-17	5:00	Geneseo Tournament
Fri. 1/23	4:00	Jerseyville - Quadrangular
Sat. 1/24	11:00 AM	Chatham Glenwood Triang.
Thru. 1/29	6:00	Cahokia - Home
Fri. 1/30	6:00	ESL/Lincoln - Home
Fri.-Sat. 2/06-07		I.H.S.A. REGIONALS & TEAM & INDIVIDUAL
TUES.-WED. 2/10-11		I.H.S.A. DUAL TEAM REGIONALS FINAL
FRI.-SAT. 1/13-14		I.H.S.A. INDIVIDUAL SECTIONALS
FRI.-SAT. 2/20-21		I.H.S.A. INDIVIDUAL STATE FINALS
TUE. 2/24		I.H.S.A. DUAL TEAM SECTIONALS
SAT. 2/28		I.H.S.A. DUAL TEAM STATE FINALS

## Granite City High School 1997-98 Boys Hockey

Mon. 11/17	6:45	McCluer North - Home
Sat. 11/22	10:00 AM	Pattonville Webster
Mon. 11/24	8:45	McCluer - Home
Sat. 11/29	9:30	Hazelwood East - N. County
Mon. 12/01	8:45	Hazelwood West - Home
Mon. 12/08	8:45	Hazelwood Central - Home
Mon. 12/15	8:45	Pattonville - Home
Fri. 12/19	9:30	Dubourg - Afton
Tues. 12/23	9:15	Parkway West - Queeney
Fri. 12/26	9:45	Afton - Afton
Sat. 12/27	10:00AM	Westminister - Chesterfield
Thurs. 1/01	5:45	Wentzville - Rec. Plex
Mon. 1/05	8:45	Francis Howell - Home
Sat. 1/10	9:30	McCluer North - N. County
Mon. 1/12	9:45	St. Charles West - Home
Fri. 1/23	9:30	Hazelwood West - N. County
Sun. 1/25	4:30	McCluer - N. County
Mon. 1/26	8:45	Hazelwood East - Home
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## ENTERTAINMENT

## Food traditions hard to swallow for nonconformist

By Kevin Carbery  
Correspondent

Must we eat turkey and cranberries each Thanksgiving? Don't get me wrong. Those are tasty foods and Thanksgiving is a fine holiday. I just would like to know why turkey, dressing, cranberries and pumpkin pie are standard fare each and every year at this time. Just once, how about making sausage and black olive pizza the main course for Thanksgiving? You could have ham fried rice and potato salad for side dishes. For dessert, maybe some rainbow sherbet.

I always have enjoyed going off the beaten path in my dining experience.

## TRIVIA

es. When I was a little kid, I came up with the idea of putting potato chips on my cheese sandwiches. A few years ago, I saw an Albert Finney movie, "Rich in Love," in which part of his eccentric behavior was making sandwiches with potato chips stuck between the bread slices. I guess I was just ahead of my time.

The point of all this is I think we get too tied down in traditions when it comes to food. Every Christmas and Easter, I run into ham everywhere I go visit. Once in a while, I'd like to do something different, like a

beef roast or corn dogs, at these gatherings.

Being of Irish descent, I see a whole lot of corned beef and cabbage each St. Patrick's Day. Are there no other dishes associated with the Emerald Isle? I can choke down a plate of corned beef and cabbage, but I wish part of St. Patrick's lore were that he barbecued pork steaks while chasing the snakes out of Ireland. That would give us at least one other option for dinner on March 17.

For this week's trivia, the topic is food. Have a happy Thanksgiving, no matter what ends up on your plate.

1. Vinegar, Avery Island salt and chopped capsicum pepper are combined to make what?

2. Pasta originated in which country?

3. In what country was the pretzel invented?

4. The largest indoor feast ever held was in what country, according to the Guinness Book of Records?

5. Which botanist developed hundreds of uses for the peanut?

6. What is considered the national source?

7. The ice cream cone originated during what event?

8. Chocolate comes from what source?

9. What is the Peach State?

10. What were George Washington's favorite foods?

Answers: 1. Tabasco Sauce. 2. Chi-

na. 3. Italy. 4. France. A group of 18,000 municipal leaders got together Aug. 18, 1888. 5. George Washington Carver. 6. Paprika. 7. The 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis. At least that's one of the stories about its origin. There are similar disputes about the hot dog. 8. Cacao beans. 9. Georgia. 10. Crabmeat soup and egg nog, according to the World Almanac of Presidential Facts. And you thought I have weird tastes.

Kevin Carbery can be heard as a regular on "The Trivia Coast-To-Coast Show" from 8 to 11 p.m. Sundays on radio station KMOX-AM (1120).

## HOROSCOPE

Wednesday, Nov. 26  
The morning emphasizes teamwork. Band together with your best friends or co-workers to outshine the competition and push one another's projects. The moon is in Libra during the day, but it shifts into Scorpio at night. The evening features sexy excitement and increased magnetism to attract members of the opposite sex. When you've got it (and you do now), flaunt it! Everyone takes notice.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 26). New friends enter the scene, introducing you to the experiences of a lifetime! An

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Aquarius or a Capricorn brings financial luck. In March, you'll travel to places you've never been before. You'll participate in the marriage of a close friend or relative in June. Creative projects bring new challenges in April. The best signs for connections of the heart are Taurus and Aries.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Stop talking about the past, and live more completely in the present. Spending quality time with yourself is better than being with people who want to pull you down. Set your own goals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 26). If you don't understand something, ask for clarification. Give everything you can to your present relationship before thinking of letting it go. Exercise wisely. You do best

when under pressure.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Relationships have a way of becoming more serious than expected. You can survive facing the consequences of your past. Personal growth happens when you are willing to make commitments.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's better to admit you don't know instead of faking it. Listen to your inward self, not to outward influences. Lost souls linger around you. Close friends want more from your relationship.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Tell people how fast or slow you know the relationship to progress. You regain your emotional balance when you can detach yourself. If you don't have money for a needed service, offer to make a trade.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). An overload of tasks makes you doubt your job altogether. But a sudden change in attitude could take you out of this rut and raise you to a higher position. It is up to you to take the initiative.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're better off taking risks now with regard to your reputation. Get ready for a new round of activity. A loved one's faithfulness will not falter, so trust him or her at work or out of town.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your energy improves through a change in diet or exercise. Others relax when you relate to them in a non-threatening manner. Dispel a childhood fear. Clean out the mental closet.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have to let yourself dream before you can discover your dream is. Stop back from what society wants, and do what you think is best for yourself. Others have to learn how to help themselves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The morning sharpens your sense of humor. Get help refining goals and defining tasks. Love affairs are subject to change brought on by insecurity and doubt, but don't give up on each other.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There's lots of fun in meeting challenges as a team at work. Support groups provide real help. Friends share ways to overcome discouraging feelings. There's magic for those who believe in it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You get the chance to clear up the confusion that has beset us all in personal and financial matters over the past few months. Flashes of insight bring understanding of the motivations of others.

By Chris Waldvogel  
Staff writer

"Alien Resurrection," the fourth offering in the Alien series, has all the ingredients for a spectacular film.

Director Jean Pierre-Jouet ("City of Lost Children") is a more accomplished visual wizard than David Fincher, who directed the eye-popping last installment.

Sigourney Weaver's character, Lt. Ellen Ripley, cloned from remains found on the frigid planet where she died, now possesses all the tools for a top-notch action heroine. The military scientists who brought Ripley back gave her superhuman strength, agility, cunning — and a dark secret.

The film also gives us the most engaging supporting characters since the original film. Those fighting for their lives this time around include a rogue band of space pirates packing crafty weapons and bad attitudes. It's like Han Solo meets the Road Warrior.

Among the squad is an android with a hidden agenda played by Winona Ryder and a paraplegic that makes Mad Max look like a momma's boy.

The special effects are first-rate, the pace keeps you involved, the characters are

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worth rooting for, but the film still feels like a letdown.

Maybe it's because we've seen countless plans dealing with this volatile species go awry, yet some new entity is always willing to experiment.

But if suspension of disbelief doesn't pose a problem for you, the fact that "Alien Resurrection" doesn't build on its promising foundation should.

The characters are left mostly undeveloped. Ripley isn't given a real opportunity to flex her new muscle, and her divided loyalties are never truly in question.

The film offers a taste of parody and a few good laughs, but another "Scream" it is not.

Instead, the film falls prey to the Alien formula with a few fresh scenes — a frantic underwater chase among them — thrown in. Even a mutant baddie doesn't help kill the sense of deja vu.

Fans of the series will enjoy this film better than the last, but for the uninitiated wondering what all the hype is about: Rent the first two films. If you still crave more, "Alien Resurrection" will give you your fill.

## MOVIE SCHEDULES

Film timetable for Wednesday, Nov. 26. For times on other days or to confirm these times, check with local theaters.

ALTON CINE  
2840 Clair St., 462-1131  
Mortal Kombat 2 (PG-13) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:30  
The Rainmaker (PG-13) 4:45, 7:20, 10:00

CARMIKE PETITE  
170 and Hwy. 157, Collinsville  
Anastasia (G) 7:15, 9:15  
The Rainmaker (PG-13) 7:00, 9:45  
Starship Troopers (R) 7:00, 9:45  
I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 7:15  
Mad City (PG-13) 9:30

COTTONWOOD EDWARDSVILLE CINE  
Edwardsville 656-6390  
Check theater for shows and times

LINCOLN THEATER  
103 E. Main, Belleville, Ill., 233-0123  
Peacemaker (R) 7:00, 9:30  
Men in Black (PG-13) 7:15, 9:30  
George of the Jungle (PG) 7:10  
G.I. Jane (R) 9:05

NAMEOKI CINEMA  
500 N. 2nd St., 877-6630  
Check theater for shows and times

O'FALLON 15 CINE  
1320 Central Park Dr., O'Fallon, Ill., 822-4900  
Starship Troopers (R) 12:00, 2:40, 5:30, 8:15, 10:50

Starship Troopers (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55  
Flubber (PG) 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00  
Flubber (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00  
Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil (R) 12:10, 1:35, 7:00, 10:20

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil (R) 1:20, 4:30, 8:00, 10:40  
The Jackal (R) 1:20, 2:45, 5:30, 8:10, 10:40  
The Jackal (R) 1:30, 4:00, 7:05, 9:45  
Anastasia (G) 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00  
Anastasia (G) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00

Kiss the Girls (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:05, 9:45  
Nightmares (R) 1:30, 4:00, 7:30, 10:30  
The Man Who Knew Too Little (PG-13) 12:25, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30  
Eve's Bayou (R) 12:15, 2:40, 5:05, 7:35, 10:00  
Devil's Advocate (R) 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55

ROXANA CINE THEATER  
Roxana, Ill., 254-6746  
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ST. CLAIR 10  
50 Ludwig Drive, 398-8383  
Bean (PG-13) 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:15  
The Rainmaker (PG-13) 11:15, 2:00, 5:00, 8:15

The Rainmaker (PG-13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:15, 10:15  
Alien Resurrection (R) 12:00, 2:45, 5:45, 8:45  
Alien Resurrection (R) 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30  
Red Corner (R) 1:05, 4:30, 7:25, 10:00  
I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 11:30, 1:45, 4:20, 7:20, 9:45

The Little Mermaid (G) 11:10, 1:15, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45  
Mad City (PG-13) 9:40  
Mortal Kombat 2 (PG-13) 12:15, 2:30, 5:15, 8:30  
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# Mothers and kids thankful for new lives

By Mary Shapiro  
Staff writer

This Thanksgiving will be one of the happiest holidays in recent memory for some local mothers and their children, despite the fact they'll celebrate it in shelters for battered women.

Mary — a pseudonym is being used for her safety — is 44 and has a daughter, 3, and a son, 5. For the last six weeks they have been staying at the Women's Safe House. She also has a 22-year-old son.

"I was in an abusive situation," she said quietly. "I had left my husband one time before, but I came back and things got worse," she said. "He choked me nearly to death and put a gun on me twice. He would verbally abuse me each day. He was an alcoholic and smoked marijuana. Things got worse and worse. I couldn't take it anymore."

She stayed briefly with a friend before calling the shelter. "It was difficult for me at first, once you get used to a certain way of living, you have to leave that environment and adjust to something else — but I and my kids have really adjusted well," Mary said.

"The counseling here has helped a lot. They're assisting me in getting housing and providing clothing for my family," she said. "You know, I felt it was important for me to leave for my kids. That was a bad environment for them. I

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— Pamela Heede  
Former victim of abuse

could see them picking up my husband's habits. He would use profanity on the phone, and my kids would use a toy phone and do the same thing."

Mary has dreams now. She wants to get settled in a new home, go back to school and find a job.

"The change is worth it," Mary said. "It's a better way of living for me and my kids. Usually on holidays, my husband did a lot of drinking and ruined it for us," she said. "I was very violent. I think this holiday will be good. At least, I'll have a peaceful Thanksgiving."

At St. Martha's Hall shelter, Beth (also not her real name), 30, has found an oasis with her 2-year-old twins, a boy and a girl.

"I was in a physically and mentally abusive situation with my boyfriend," Beth said.

"It was startling and very frightening," she said. "I left about three weeks ago after I was physically abused. It was important for my children's sake to get out."

She was taken to the hospital. "If they're working, they must change jobs because it wouldn't be safe to go back."

Another burden is dealing with effects of leaving on the children. "The kids have to change schools, which can be very traumatic," she said.

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The center's population ranges in age from teens to 70s.

"Women come from such abusive situations that it's a challenge for mothers especially to turn their own lives around and keep the family structure," Griffin said.

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after her boyfriend assaulted her sexually, choked her and badly beat her.

"My doctor got me into a shelter," she said.

"Here, they have a tremendously supportive staff," Beth said. "I left with nothing and didn't go back to my old life. I was afraid. They provided me and my children with clothing and food and basic needs. At least now I don't need to worry about where my children will sleep and what they'll eat."

The shelter also offers a "Grandma Program" for the children.

"They allow days for moms to take care of ourselves — the kids can go to volunteer grandmas for three hours while you do little tasks," Beth said.

"That's meant a lot to me," she said. "But the very best part of being here is that you know none of this was your fault. They're supportive to help you get back on your own. Often, after you say 'no' to abuse, it's so low. And they say, 'It's a new day. This will be a great life here and that's the most important thing we'll celebrate.'"

Pamela Heede knows firsthand the results of ending an abusive relationship. When she said 'no' to abuse, she experienced life-altering changes for the better.

"In 1986, I was pregnant and had two sons, 1 and 3½

## Programs stress education for teen moms

By Mary Shapiro  
Staff writer

Very young moms and their children often face special struggles when they have no "safety net."

Sister Irene Radtke is executive director of Almost Home, a transitional living program for homeless teen mothers and their children sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Mary. The moms' average age is 17 and kids are newborn to 3.5 years. We don't take any girls unless they agree to finish their basic education. We work with them on housing, health, budgeting, living skills, parenting and early childhood development classes, job readiness, and day care," Radtke said.

So far the home, which opened in May of this year, has served 62 mothers and 73 children, she added.

Most girls come from very poor and often single-parent families in which there is usually alcohol or drug usage, abuse, lack of education and unemployment, Radtke said. Many drop out of school because they have no day care or transportation.

"They can stay at the center until they are about 18," she said.

"We're pleased we don't need to go to Arkansas for the Labor Day holiday, and he beat me all the way coming back home."

She had also been in an abusive marriage previously.

"I was held a gun to my head and shot it off and then ran off with one of my little boys," Heede said.

"Our three broad goals for the girls are personal education and therapy, parenting education, and house management skills. Some of them have never loaded a dishwasher or used a washer and dryer. We try to give them opportunities they haven't had before."

Karen Sprague, director of the Housing Resource Center, which serves St. Louis County and city, makes referrals to shelters and transitional housing for homeless women of all ages. The center also has eviction prevention programs, she said.

"There are about 25 shelters of all kinds for women and children in the St. Louis area," Sprague said. "They offer many programs — like literacy and living skills — to get families back on their feet. And putting their lives together is hard work for moms."

Being poor is a job and a half. And, if a woman has been the victim of abuse, it takes courage beyond what most of us can imagine to start over again. While she can seem like the bad guy to the kids at first — for making them leave home — she becomes the sole support of her family."

The Housing Resource Center hot line is 773-2273. Almost Home can be reached by calling 621-3632.

"I left and went back 30 times. But I finally left for good after the baby I was pregnant with died because of a beating," she said.

Her family was afraid to take her in for school retaliation, but they helped her find a shelter.

"At St. Martha's Hall, the support and counseling helped me most," she said.

"My life is good now. Everything has changed. I went back to school. The kids were helped with clothing and saw how life can be better," Heede said.

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individual and group counseling for women and children, information on permanent housing, employment, education and help with custody and restraining orders.

"It's difficult, especially around the holidays," Schiller-Baker said.

"Mothers wish they had their own place and a normal family and everything the holidays revolve around," she said. "But there is always the hope that future holidays will be safe ones."

"We know there's so much frustration and disappointment for these moms, but we tell them it's possible to get back on their feet," she said.

Hodlins for local shelters that help women and children who live in St. Louis County include St. Martha's Hall, 533-1313; Kathy J. Weinman Shelter, 423-1111; Alive, 983-2777; and Women's Safe House, 772-4535.

## Women's shelters offer safe havens, variety of services

By Mary Shapiro  
Staff writer

Shelters for mothers and children help heal the hearts and ease the burdens of families in crisis.

Janet Griffin, program manager for the 20-year-old Women's Safe House, regularly hears stories of unrelenting mental and physical abuse.

"We offer a 24-hour emergency shelter for mothers and children," she said. "Our crisis intervention includes support and parenting groups, living skills class, counseling and more. We can refer women to transitional housing and employment and medical services."

The center served about 292 women and children last year.

"So many women must leave all their belongings behind," Griffin said. "They need the basics — clothing and personal hygiene products — for instance. Many don't have any mon-

ey. If they're working, they must change jobs because it wouldn't be safe to go back."

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open for about five years.

"We're pleased we don't need to turn away quite as many women and children due to lack of space," she said.

The biggest challenge for these women is safety.

"It's much more dangerous for these moms once they leave," Schiller-Baker said.

"There's the fear of the unknown. They wonder whether they should uproot their kids from school and friends and what kind of place they'll go to," she said. "That's why shelters try to meet children in a new school as soon as possible, so they have some kind of stability in their lives."

St. Martha's, which is more than 14 years old, served 129 women and 184 children last year. The Weinman shelter served 160 and 221, respectively.

Both offer services such as shelter,

addition, more than 2,000 entertainers from area groups, theater groups, choirs, churches, and local schools will provide continuous entertainment.

Northwest Plaza donated the space formerly used by Oshman's SuperSports USA to the Judevine Center for the festival.

"This is probably one of the best spaces we've had as far as everything being in one room," said Willie Obermoeller, entertainment chairman.

On Dec. 2, a Gala Ball and Auction will be held at the St. Louis Frontenac Hilton. Trees on display at the Festival — including live and merchandise worth \$25,000 from Famous Barr — will be auctioned off.

The Festival is open during mall hours through Nov. 30. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. All proceeds benefit the Judevine Center for Autism.

The Judevine Center, at 9455 Rott Road in South County, is a non-profit organization specializing in treatment and services for children and adults with autism and their families.

A severe communication disorder, autism causes an individual to have difficulty interpreting language and social behavior. It is often accompanied by behavior problems and a collection of odd behaviors taken to an extreme.

Autism has three universal signs: lack of response to other people, absence of speech or abnormal speech patterns, and insistence on sameness and overreaction to change. Judevine or the festival, call 849-4440.

## Architect says aquarium at Arena site would float

By Glen Sparks  
Staff writer

It is Ted Wofford's hope to fill the shuttered St. Louis Arena with water.

And, he insists, the idea isn't all wet. Wofford, a leading area architect, disagrees with recent statements from the St. Louis Development Corp. that putting an aquarium complex on the site would not be feasible.

"It's an option, but it's unlikely," Beth Flowers, a spokesman for the St. Louis Development Corp., said.

The city is expected to decide on plans for the site in the next few months, Flowers said.

Wofford remains upbeat. The St. Louis Aquarium Plaza Development Co. plan is one of four the city is considering.

"We're hot to trot," he said. "We've put in a lot of time and money on this project. We're very serious."

Wofford disagrees with Flowers' assertion that admission to the aquarium would need to be about \$30 a visitor to recoup the attraction's high construction costs.

"We would probably charge \$10 a person," Wofford said.

The entire project — including the plaza around the aquarium — would run about \$400 million, Wofford said. It would be financed and operated through private sources, he said.

Wofford said:

- provide about 2,000 jobs and at least 1,000 construction jobs during its development;
- relieve St. Louis of its financial obligations to the Arena site and structure;
- add 6,000 parking spots — all of them underground — to ease congestion in Forest Park.

• establish job-training programs and opportunities for beginning entrepreneurs and small businesses in the surrounding plaza area;

• create a major tourist attraction to go along with the St. Louis Science Center, the Art Museum and the Zoo.

"This is something that's been missing from the cultural and educational landscape of St. Louis."

— Ted Wofford  
Architect

in 1996.

"We were able to talk to people across the country about how to make this work," Wofford said. "We really didn't hear anything at all negative about our ideas."

The St. Louis Aquarium would feature freshwater and saltwater sections totaling 4 million gallons, including a quarter-mile-long freshwater river.

The saltwater tank, in the shape of a giant seashell, would be 250 feet across the top. An auditorium would seat 1,500 visitors.

A virtual-reality exhibit would simulate the environment of fish that swim in the deepest, darkest parts of the ocean.

"We can do some things that are truly unique that you really can't do unless you have an enormous structure such as this," Wofford said.

"This will be a combination of education and entertainment."

Outside, the area will get some needed rehabilitation, but Wofford promises no drastic changes to the 68-year-old Arena building on Oakland Avenue.

"I've been rehabbing for 25 years," said Wofford, an architect for more than 45 years. "My intention is always to change as little as humanly possible."

Surrounding the aquarium would be a bustling plaza, Wofford said. He envisions unique shops, art galleries and several ethnic restaurants. He said the plaza would be comparable to ones in Europe with 24-hour entertainment.

"We're really not interested in another Galleria or that type of shopping center," Wofford said.

Also, in the plaza, Wofford has designs in place for fountains, pools, misting and — during winter months — ice.

"You'll see water in all forms," Wofford said. "That seems to be the common denominator in this entire project."

Wofford is hopeful — and crossing his fingers — that St. Louis officials agree the Aquarium Plaza's idea is one that will float.

## Fun fund-raiser

Festival of Trees opens at St. Louis mall

By Kelli Hauser  
Staff writer

Everything displayed at the Judevine Center's Festival of Trees is special.

One tree, however, is extra-special.

Children from the KinderCare Learning Centers of Bridgeton, Maryland Heights and St. Ann made up the tree. The children recently joined forces at Northwest Plaza to spruce up one of the trees for the Children's Forest.

"We're making the decorations for the big Christmas tree," said Gordon Martinez, 4, of St. Ann. "I'm going to be a schooler who colored ornaments and garland to decorate the tree."

"They're going to put their ornaments on the tree and Santa's going to help," said Sue A. Nappier, who co-chairs the festival.

For the children, decorating the ornaments gave them a chance to express their creativity.

Connor Williams, 4, said she can't wait for her mom to see her ornaments when they visit the Festival of Trees, which opened Monday.

"My mom used to do this all the time, and she let me color," Connor said. "I'm doing great."

Damon Oglesby, 4, decorated his snowflake garland with smiley faces because it looked good. Santa, who commended the children on their behavior, said all of the ornaments looked excellent.

Santa thought they done great, he said. "They were swell, I thought."

The event came about through the suggestion of Northwest Plaza officials, who

called KinderCare and asked if the children wanted to participate.

It was kind of neat because all of us surrounded Northwest Plaza geographically," said Lola Vaughan, director of the St. Ann KinderCare. "I'm just happy that they called, because it's such a neat thing, and the parents shop here all the time."

Nappier said the event was beneficial to the children and Judevine.

"It's a cool project for the kids and especially at this level, it teaches them to help someone else," she said. "Everybody's got gifts to give, and God made us different for a purpose."

Other trees in the Children's Forest will be decorated with ornaments created by area students, as well. Nappier said all schools within a 50-mile radius received invitations to make ornaments for the tree. All of the students who made ornaments would then receive a free ticket.

The Children's Forest is not the only festival to highlight the only festival to highlight the Celebrity Junction, a tradition which began at the St. Louis Festival of Trees.

A display of two-foot-tall trees decorated by local celebrities, this year's celebrity junction includes trees decorated by Alan Jackson, Rosie O'Donnell, Julie Andrews, Big Bird and the Prince of Monaco.

"The vast number of people do their own and that's what's fun about it," Nappier said.

Other features include the Holiday Boutique, Gingerbread Village and Kaleidoscope, a place for children to make holiday crafts to take home. In

addition, more than 2,000 entertainers from area groups, theater groups, choirs, churches, and local schools will provide continuous entertainment.

Northwest Plaza donated the space formerly used by Oshman's SuperSports USA to the Judevine Center for the festival.

"This is probably one of the best spaces we've had as far as everything being in one room," said Willie Obermoeller, entertainment chairman.

On Dec. 2, a Gala Ball and Auction will be held at the St. Louis Frontenac Hilton. Trees on display at the Festival — including live and merchandise worth \$25,000 from Famous Barr — will be auctioned off.

The Festival is open during mall hours through Nov. 30. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. All proceeds benefit the Judevine Center for Autism.

The Judevine Center, at 9455 Rott Road in South County, is a non-profit organization specializing in treatment and services for children and adults with autism and their families.

A severe communication disorder, autism causes an individual to have difficulty interpreting language and social behavior. It is often accompanied by behavior problems and a collection of odd behaviors taken to an extreme.

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